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Search Notes

Attached are the search results for the rigid balloon, including prior art searches in foreign and international patent databases; product and general sci/tech non-patent literature databases; and the Web via the Scirus and Google search engines.

I marked items that seemed to me to either have all the aspects you wanted (balloon, frame, sleeve and strips) or that looked like they were abstracts of articles that would have detailed descriptions of such components. However, I suggest that you review all the results as I might very well have missed tagging some good hits.

ALSO, the material I found on the Internet (at the end of the "non-patent literature" section) does not have good dates on it, but is historical information, so I should be able to find books with good dates that have this information, if you want.

Also attached is a search feedback form. Completion of the form is voluntary. Your completing this form would help us improve our search services.

I hope the attached information is useful. Please feel free to contact me (phone 305-5934 or email jeanne.horrigan@uspto.gov) if you have any questions or need additional searching on this application.





SEARCH REQUEST FORM

Scientific and Technical Information Center

Requester's Full Name: Urszulo Legielni Examiner #:77004 Date: 3/10/04 Art Unit: 37/2 Phone Number 30 6 5800 Serial Number: 0/643780 Mail Box and Bldg/Room Location: LP2/1000 Soults Format Prefer ed (circle): PAPER DISK E-MAIL
If more than one search is submitted, please prioritize searches in order of need.
Pleas: provide a detailed statement of the search topic, and describe as specifically as possible the subject matter to be searched. Include the elected species or structures, keywords, synonyms, acronyms, and registry numbers, and combine with the concept or utility of the invention. Define any terms that may have a special meaning. Give examples or relevant citations, authors, etc., if known. Please attach a copy of the cover sheet, pertinent claims, and abstract.
Title of Invention: RIDIO Balloon
Inventors (please provide full names): Uoya Randall Anderson TN
Earliest Priority Filing Date: 2/14/2003
For Sequence Searches Only Please include all pertinent information (parent; child, divisional, or issued patent numbers) along with the appropriate serial number.
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PTO-1590 (1-2000)

March 12, 2004 File 635:Business Dateline(R) 1985-2004/Mar 11 File 740: (Memphis) Comm. Appeal 1990-2004/Mar 10 File 387: The Denver Post 1994-2004/Mar 11 File 471:New York Times Fulltext 90-Day 2004/Mar 11 File 492:Arizona Repub/Phoenix Gaz 19862002/Jan 06 File 494:St LouisPost-Dispatch 1988-2004/Mar 10 File 498:Detroit Free Press 1987-2004/Mar 10 File 631:Boston Globe 1980-2004/Mar 11 File 633:Phil.Inquirer 1983-2004/Mar 09 File 638:Newsday/New York Newsday 1987-2004/Mar 11 File 640:San Francisco Chronicle 1988-2004/Mar 12 File 641: Rocky Mountain News Jun 1989-2004/Mar 10 File 702:Miami Herald 1983-2004/Mar 11 File 703:USA Today 1989-2004/Mar 11 File 704: (Portland) The Oregonian 1989-2004/Mar 10 File 713:Atlanta J/Const. 1989-2004/Mar 12 File 714: (Baltimore) The Sun 1990-2004/Mar 11 File 715:Christian Sci.Mon. 1989-2004/Mar 12 File 725: (Cleveland) Plain Dealer Aug 1991-2004/Mar 10 File 735:St. Petersburg Times 1989- 2004/Mar 10 Items Description S1 215 LLOYD (2W) ANDERSON S2 83659 BALLOON? ? OR BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE OR AEROSTAT? ? S3 S1 AND S2 File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS 1978-2004/Feb W05 File 349:PCT FULLTEXT 1979-2002/UB=20040304,UT=20040226 12 AU=ANDERSON LLEWELLAN 0 *AU=ANDERSON LLOYD R Ë3 2 AU=ANDERSON LOA E4 File 350:Derwent WPIX 1963-2004/UD,UM &UP=200416 File 347: JAPIO Nov 1976-2003/Nov (Updated 040308) File 371:French Patents 1961-2002/BOPI 200209 Set Items Description S1 38 AU='ANDERSON L R' S218638 BALLOON? ? OR BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE? ? OR AEROSTAT? ? S3 1 S1 AND S2 3/7/1 (Item 1 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2004 THOMSON DERWENT. All rts. reserv. 015948357 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2004-106198/200411 Rigid helium balloon has connector engaged with opposing end of rod, to hold rod in channel formed in double seam Patent Assignee: ANDERSON L R (ANDE-I) Inventor: ANDERSON L R Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Week Date B1 20031209 US 2003366387 A US 6659838 20030214 200411 B Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2003366387 A 20030214 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes US 6659838 B16 A63H-003/06

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Abstract (Basic): US 6659838 B1

NOVELTY - A connector is engaged with one of the opposing ends of a rod, to hold the rod in the channel portion formed in the double seam where the skin portions are joined to form a channel.

USE - Rigid helium balloon .

ADVANTAGE - Prevents ascension of **balloon** by providing rods with counter balancing weight and hence **balloon** retains its shape and remains floating at a height from which it is released unless repositioned. Prevents floating of **balloon** upwards, without using additional weights or tethering devices.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a perspective view of the rigid helium  $\mbox{\it balloon}$  .

Helium balloon (10)

pp; 6 DwgNo 1/3

Derwent Class: A86; P36

International Patent Class (Main): A63H-003/06

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 9:Business & Industry(R) Jul/1994-2004/Mar 11 File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R) 1990-2004/Mar 11 File 160:Gale Group PROMT(R) 1972-1989 File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB 1976-2004/Mar 05 File 47:Gale Group Magazine DB(TM) 1959-2004/Mar 12 File 621:Gale Group New Prod. Annou. (R) 1985-2004/Mar 11 File 649: Gale Group Newswire ASAP (TM) 2004/Mar 11 File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM) 1987-2004/Mar 11 File 646:Consumer Reports 1982-2004/Feb File 635:Business Dateline(R) 1985-2004/Mar 11 File 80:TGG Aerospace/Def.Mkts(R) 1986-2004/Mar 11 File 112:UBM Industry News 1998-2004/Jan 27 File 141:Readers Guide 1983-2004/Feb File 481:DELPHES Eur Bus 95-2004/Feb W5 File 482:Newsweek 2000-2004/Mar 09 File 484:Periodical Abs Plustext 1986-2004/Mar W1 File 624:McGraw-Hill Publications 1985-2004/Mar 11 Set Items Description S1 90538 BALLOON? ? S2 19816 BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE? ? OR AEROSTAT OR AEROSTATS OR AIRSHIP? ? OR ZEPPELIN? ? OR GASBAG? ? OR BALLONET? ? S3 20900 LIGHTER()THAN()AIR OR INFLATABLE 1365889 ROD OR RODS OR FRAME OR FRAMES OR FRAMING OR FRAMEWORK? ? -OR SKELETON OR SKELETAL S52391723 STRUCTUR?? SLEEVE? ? OR ENVELOPE? ? OR POCKET? ? OR CHANNEL? ? OR JAC-S6 2716897 KET? ? OR SHEATH?? OR CASING? ? OR ENCASEMENT? ? 941327 S7 . STRIP OR STRIPS OR STRAP OR STRAPS OR BAND OR BANDS S8 4550 S1:S3(S)S4:S5 S9 1652 PC=(3069891 OR 372125 OR 3721196) S10 199 S8(S)S6 151 S8(S)S7 S11 S12 8 S10(S)S11 S13 7 RD (unique items) . 7 S14 Sort S13/ALL/PD, A S15 334 S10:S11 NOT S12 S16 13 S9 AND S15 S17 10 RD (unique items) S18 10 Sort S17/ALL/PD, A S19 26852 S4:S5(5N)S6:S7 S20 1 S1:S3(S)S19 NOT (S12 OR S15) [not relevant] S4:S5(10N)S6:S7 S21 45194 S22 S1:S3(S)S21 NOT (S12 OR S15 OR S20) [not relevant] 14/3, AB, K/3(Item 3 from file: 141) DIALOG(R) File 141: Readers Guide (c) 2004 The HW Wilson Co. All rts. reserv. H.W. WILSON RECORD NUMBER: BRGA96001984 03251984 Boy oh buoyant. Kluger, Jeffrey.

Discover (Discover) v. 16 (Dec. '95) p. 50-3

WORD COUNT: 3071

ABSTRACT: The writer discusses the fact that on any given weekend the skies over New York are crisscrossed by a veritable exhalation of airships such as the Goodyear blimp, the Fuji blimp, the Sea World blimp, and the MetLife blimp. The evolution of these lighter-than-air flying ships is

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discussed from the first working hot-air balloon launched in 1783 by the Montgolfier brothers down to the blimps of today.

rely on materials not available to their nineteenth-century forebears. The main body of the blimps his company makes is composed of two parts: an inner layer (the bladder) and an outer layer, called an envelope . The bladder, which actually holds the helium, is made of leak-resistant polyurethane that's welded together from strips . A 130 foot-long bladder capable of holding 68,000 cubic feet of helium weighs....

Mails not resistant to punctures, so it is protected by a comparatively heavy 450-pound envelope made of a polyester ripstop fabric. Although the envelope is the outer structure, it's actually a few inches smaller in volume than the polyurethane balloon it surrounds. This deliberately poor fit helps prevent ruptures by guaranteeing that when the blimp is fully inflated, it is the sturdier envelope rather than the thinner bladder that takes the load...

#### 18/8/8 (Item 8 from file: 148)

DIALOG(R) File 148: (c) 2004 The Gale Group. All rts. reserv.

SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18471257 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)

Rigid returns. (rigid airships; Zeppellin Luftschifftechnik)

Nov 29, 1995

WORD COUNT:

ORD COUNT: 1702 LINE COUNT: 00136
SPECIAL FEATURES: photograph; illustration

COMPANY NAMES: Zepellin Luftschifftechnik--Product development

INDUSTRY CODES/NAMES: AERO Aerospace and Defense; BUSN business; INTL Business, International

DESCRIPTORS: Aerospace industry--Product development; Airships--Product development

PRODUCT/INDUSTRY NAMES: 3721251 (Airships ex Military)

#### 18/3, AB, K/1(Item 1 from file: 160)

DIALOG(R) File 160: Gale Group PROMT(R)

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01376238

Last flight of the lumberjack's airship.

NEW SCIENTIST July 10, 1986 p. 21

A hybrid helicopter-aided airship has crashed, damaging hopes that such vehicles could be used for forestry work. The Helistat was a giant supported by an H-shaped aluminum frame with old envelope helicopters attached to each corner to provide extra lift. On a test flight, 1 helicopter lost power at 12 m, causing the craft to tilt and crash. Critics had predicted trouble because of the problems of vibration, maintenance and stress on the craft. A smaller prototype developed by Aerocrane of Canada is still operating in trials for the Canadian Forestry Service. Helistat cost the US Forestry Service \$24 million to develop over 6 years.

PRODUCT CODE: 3721251

#### 18/3,AB,K/2 (Item 2 from file: 80)

DIALOG(R) File 80:TGG Aerospace/Def.Mkts(R)

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01100896 Supplier Number: 39841144

Modernized ZPG-3W to feature new engine, radar, landing gear

Aerospace Daily, v139, n54, p430

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004

Sept 16, 1986

Language: English Record Type: Abstract

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Newsletter; Trade

ABSTRACT:

Goodyear Aerospace is offering the modernized ZPG-3W, which will have the original envelope and fin structure but a new engine, radar and landing gear, to fill the Navy's airship requirement. The modernized ZPG-3W has greater maneuverability with the use of turbines and electric motors to drive ducted propellers that can be pointed up or down for vertical thrust, cruising speeds of 5,000-10,000 ft, unrefueled endurance of 72 hrs, indefinite endurance with resupplying and refueling, flight controls using a fly-by-wire system that has lighter electrical connections instead of the usual cable and hydromechanical linkages, avionics incorporating those of the improved E-2C airborne early warning aircraft, electricity from an inboard turbine generator that also powers the airship 's radar and airborne electronics, enhanced visibility with high quality optics transparencies, and more comfortable private quarters for a 12-man crew. The modernized ZPG-3W will be built and flying by 1990. Goodyear is also offering the GZ-22, a 'super Goodyear blimp ' that can be used as an 'instant trainer for the ZPG-3W. The GZ-22 will have its first flight as well as its FAA certification in FY87.

PRODUCT NAMES: 3721196 (Military Airships & Balloons)

18/3, AB, K/3 (Item 3 from file: 160)

DIALOG(R) File 160:Gale Group PROMT(R)

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01600383

Business aviation: Airship seeks Japan link.

FLIGHT INTERNATIONAL March 14, 1987 p. 15

Airship Industries (UK) may jointly develop a 100-passenger airship with Mitsui OSK (Japan), a shipping firm. In the event of Airship Industries winning a US Navy contract for a huge radar-carrying surveillance craft, both firms will develop a 500 ft-long airship, capable of carrying passengers or performing paramilitary tasks. The 1 airship concerned in the Skyship 600, with the future passenger airship capable of reaching 80 knots and comprising a largely composite structure with a non-rigid envelope.

PRODUCT CODE: 3721251 ; 3721196

18/3, AB, K/4 (Item 4 from file: 16)

DIALOG(R) File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

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01394187 Supplier Number: 41660248

TECHNICAL: GENERAL AVIATION: Virgin favours American Blimp

Flight International, v138, n4240, p20

Nov 6, 1990

Language: English Record Type: Abstract

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

ABSTRACT:

Virgin Lightship, a US subsid of the Virgin entertainment and airline group (UK), will take delivery of the first American Blimp A-60 Lightship during 12/90. The twin-engine airship will be used in Long Beach, CA, to advertise Virgin Atlantic Airways' US services. Virgin, to date the sole A-60 customer, has 8 of the blimps on firm order and 12 more on option. The A-60 was first flown in 11/89 and finished FAA certification testing in 5/90. Its 39-m envelope is supplied by Aerostar; the gondola and fin

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frames come from Avtek Industries.
PRODUCT NAMES: 4501000 (Passenger Air Transport); 3721251 (Airships
ex Military)

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DIALOG(R)File 80:TGG Aerospace/Def.Mkts(R)
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01234837 Supplier Number: 41803784
Sentinels in the sky
Jane's Defence Weekly, v15, n3, p87,89
Jan 19, 1991
Language: English Record Type: Abstract

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

ABSTRACT:

Westinghouse is developing the Sentinel series of airships for the US DoD. Westinghouse purchased the military rights to the Sentinel series after its UK partner, Air Ship Industries went into receivership. The Sentinel 1000 is the smallest of the series, with an envelope of 67+ m in length, and with a gondola of 11.6 m long, of which nearly 7 m is usable cabin. The Sentinel 1000 is to have a normal cruising speed of 35 kn, with a top continuous speed of 57 kn, and a maximum altitude of 2,700 m. Depending on the temperature, mission load, and helium fill, typical. endurance would be 30 hrs. The 1000 is viewed as a short-to-medium endurance aircraft to be used in fire watch patrol, anti-drug, mine countermeasures, and naval blockade missions. The initial unit is approaching completion and a first flight is slated in the near future. Another in the series is the Sentinel 1200 which is derived from the 1000, but lengthened for use in hot weather. It has a length of 71.5 m and a top speed of 52 km. It would also have just under a 5,670 kg structural disposable load vs almost 4,100 kg (includes crew, furnishings, fuel, and equipment) for the 1000. The Sentinel 1000 is for the most part, a proving vehicle for the Sentinel 5000, designated the YEZ-2A by the US Navy. The 5000 would be capable of operating with surface attack groups and as an independent AEW system. A single demonstration model (and its associated systems and sensors) is being developed under a \$169 mil contract, which is said to be under re-negotiation. Thge 5000 has a length of 130 m and is the biggest non-rigid airshiop ever built. The 5000 is slated for an initial flight in 1992. The article contains additional information on all 3 of the aforementioned airships .

PRODUCT NAMES: 3721196 (Military Airships & Balloons)

18/3,AB,K/6 (Item 6 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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02763785 Supplier Number: 43704976
Would you like to fly ...
The Engineer, p22
March 11, 1993
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Academic
Word Count: 1339
... until 1962.

Using the latest in lightweight composites and advanced fabrics, the new class of airship was marketed as a cheap way to stay aloft for a long time. Lift comes from helium in a gas-tight envelope. Unlike their predecessors, there is no metal framework and the structure is kept

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rigid by pressurising the **envelope** . A glass-reinforced plastic nosecone and battens help maintain its shape against the wind. Slung beneath this helium bubble is a gondola made from aerospace composites such as kevlar. The **airship** is usually powered by twin engines, driving propellers. Performance is a trade-off between range...

PRODUCT NAMES: 3721251 (Airships ex Military)

18/3,AB,K/7 (Item 7 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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02793568 Supplier Number: 43750283
WESTINGHOUSE FORGES FUTURE FOR AIRSHIPS

Interavia Aerospace World, p68

April, 1993

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 589

... In reality, however, the Sentinel programme is simply a rehearsal for the larger Navy airship project. Compared to the Sentinel 1000, the Navy ship would have an envelope volume of around 2.5 million cu.ft./70,800 cu.metres, a length of about 425 ft/130m, a maximum structural disposable load of approximately 60,000lb/27,216kg, a maximum cruise speed of 82kts... PRODUCT NAMES: 3721196 (Military Airships & Balloons)

18/3,AB,K/9 (Item 9 from file: 16)

DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

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04094140 Supplier Number: 45966326

Rigid returns: Despite a troubled history, airship maker Zeppelin is making a comeback.

Flight International, p34

Nov 29, 1995

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 1587

... accounting for a large chunk of operational costs.

It was also found that the traditional **Zeppelin** concept of a rigid **frame** inside the hull of the **airship** still offered advantages in safety - maintaining the shape of the **envelope** at higher speeds and in sharper manoeuvres - and performance, allowing more convenient location of propulsion...

PRODUCT NAMES: 3721250 (Airships & Balloons ex Military)

18/3, AB, K/10 (Item 10 from file: 16)

DIALOG(R) File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

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05492641 Supplier Number: 48322358

Airships set for a comeback?

Rentell, Michael E.

Interavia Business & Technology, p37

March, 1998

Language: English Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade

Word Count: 1700

... The significant feature of the NT series is they are semi-rigid - there is a **structure** inside the **envelope** although not the enormous

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spider-web of girders used in the earlier **Zeppelins**. The company has spent some DM40 million (\$22.7 million) in developing the NT **airship** which is being offered at DM12.5 million. Five orders have been placed. The prototype...

...test flights it is already carrying advertising. Skyship Cruise Ltd plans to purchase several more Zeppelins if the initial programme is successful. Others are destined for three German customers...

PRODUCT NAMES: 3721250 (Airships & Balloons ex Military)

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 File 609:Bridge World Markets 2000-2001/Oct 01 File 809:Bridge World Markets News 1989-1999/Dec 31 File 610:Business Wire 1999-2004/Mar 12 File 810:Business Wire 1986-1999/Feb 28 File 613:PR Newswire 1999-2004/Mar 12 File 813:PR Newswire 1987-1999/Apr 30 Items Description S1 17297 BALLOON? ? S2 BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE? ? OR AEROSTAT OR AEROSTATS OR 2081 AIRSHIP? ? OR ZEPPELIN? ? OR GASBAG? ? OR BALLONET? ? S3 2528 LIGHTER()THAN()AIR OR INFLATABLE S4 223910 ROD OR RODS OR FRAME OR FRAMES OR FRAMING OR FRAMEWORK? ? -OR SKELETON OR SKELETAL S5 401985 STRUCTUR?? S6 595593 SLEEVE? ? OR ENVELOPE? ? OR POCKET? ? OR CHANNEL? ? OR JAC-KET? ? OR SHEATH?? OR CASING? ? OR ENCASEMENT? ? **S7** 204609 STRIP OR STRIPS OR STRAP OR STRAPS OR BAND OR BANDS S8 1799 S4:S5(5N)S6 S9 1799 S4:S5(5N)S6 S10 S1:S3(S)S8(S)S9 [not relevant] 1 S11 646 S4:S5(5N)S7 S12 0 S8(S)S11(S)S1:S3 S13 0 S4:S5(S)S6(S)S7(S)S1:S3 S14 S1:S3/TI,DE AND S4:S5(S)S6(S)S7 0 22 S15 S1:S3(S)S4:S5(S)S6:S7 S16 2443 S4:S5(5N)S6:S7 S15 AND S16 [not relevant] S17 1 S18 21 S15 NOT (S10 OR S17) S19 20 RD (unique items) 19/8/20 (Item 9 from file: 813) DIALOG(R) File 813:(c) 1999 PR Newswire Association Inc. All rts. reserv. 0126807 LA019 WEEK OF FESTIVE BENEFIT SCREENINGS PLANNED TO PRECEDE OPENING OF AMC PLEASURE ISLAND 10 THEATERS AT WALT DISNEY WORLD RESORT DATE: December 6, 1988 WORD COUNT: 826 SECTION HEADING: ASSIGNMENT; CITY; ENTERTAINMENT 19/3,AB,K/7 (Item 2 from file: 610) DIALOG(R) File 610: Business Wire (c) 2004 Business Wire. All rts. reserv. 00728183 20020610161B9907 Accurate Attitude Determination is Critical to Air Force's Tethered Aerostat Radar System-Thales Navigation's Ashtech ADU2 GPS Receivers Ensure Accurate Real-Time Data for Federal Drug Interdiction Efforts Business Wire Monday, June 10, 2002 13:01 EDT JOURNAL CODE: BW LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT DOCUMENT TYPE: NEWSWIRE WORD COUNT: 909 ...and Reliable GPS Measuring 420,000 cubic feet, about twice the volume of a Goodyear blimp , a TARS aerostat is a balloon that can rise to 15,000 feet while tethered by cable to a ground-based...

...is filled with helium and the lower chamber is a pressurized air

compartment, called a ballonet . The radar is attached to an aerostat 's

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belly inside a windscreen compartment, a pressurized envelope that protects the radar from wind and other hazards. A payload support structure , or ring, is at the bottom of the aerostat , linked to the ballonet . The GPS antenna is mounted on the inside of the aerostat and attached to the payload ring to achieve sufficient rigidity for accurate azimuth data...

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DIALOG(R) File 813:PR Newswire

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DCTU014

Cable & Wireless Balloon Modified for Endurance Flight

DATE: February 2, 1999 10:37 EST WORD COUNT: 650

...possible, the project's pilot and engineer, Andy Elson, then set to work modifying the balloon for its new task. He wanted the capsule to carry an extra two tons of...

... the whole of the flight and not jettisoned. To carry this extra weight, the capsule structure has also needed to be strengthened and the cables reinforced. Bristol company, Certex, is behind the **env**elope specially developed strengthened cables.

Andy Elson commented...

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PHW004 Rigid Airship USA, Inc. Announces Restructuring of Synfuel Technology Inc.

DATE: December 30, 1998 12:12 EST WORD COUNT: 484

... Partner at RJ Walls & Company, then Chief Operating Officer of Stone & McCarthy Research Associates.

Airships are fabric-covered dirigibles containing cellular of nonflammable helium. The ships are propelled and steered by highly efficient, quiet, and environmentally friendly engines. Passengers or freight are carried within space comprised by the rigid girder and structure , rather than in the confining external gondola used by conventional dirigibles . Rigid Airship passengers may enjoy the comfort and luxury of restaurants, bar areas, and recreation facilities while... ... the extraordinary views afforded by flight at 1500 feet. An extensive

description of the Rigid Airship can be accessed at "www.rigidair.com"...

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#### Cable & Wireless Balloon Sets Off to Launch Site

DATE: December 8, 1998 14:29 EST WORD COUNT:

...road to Almeria, Southern Spain. The whole journey is expected to last 3 days.

balloon envelope is already at the launch site and the pilots will be traveling out to meet the gondola later this week. The unpacking of this extremely delicate structure is likely to take a couple of days, following which it would be possible for the balloon to start its 72 hour countdown, given the correct weather conditions...

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 File 111:TGG Natl.Newspaper Index(SM) 1979-2004/Mar 12 File 144: Pascal 1973-2004/Feb W5 File 583: Gale Group Globalbase (TM) 1986-2002/Dec 13 File 323:RAPRA Rubber & Plastics 1972-2004/Mar File 6:NTIS 1964-2004/Mar W1 File 8:Ei Compendex(R) 1970-2004/Feb W5 File 99: Wilson Appl. Sci & Tech Abs 1983-2004/Feb File 35:Dissertation Abs Online 1861-2004/Feb File 65:Inside Conferences 1993-2004/Mar W1 File 94:JICST-EPlus 1985-2004/Feb W5 File 34:SciSearch(R) Cited Ref Sci 1990-2004/Mar W1 File 434:SciSearch(R) Cited Ref Sci 1974-1989/Dec Set Items Description S1 75763 BALLOON? ? S2 4414 BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE? ? OR AEROSTAT OR AEROSTATS OR AIRSHIP? ? OR ZEPPELIN? ? OR GASBAG? ? OR BALLONET? ?  $s_3$ 7047 LIGHTER()THAN()AIR OR INFLATABLE S4 ROD OR RODS OR FRAME OR FRAMES OR FRAMING OR FRAMEWORK? ? -OR SKELETON OR SKELETAL S5 6087726 STRUCTUR?? SLEEVE? ? OR ENVELOPE? ? OR POCKET? ? OR CHANNEL? ? OR JAC-S6 1120784 KET? ? OR SHEATH?? OR CASING? ? OR ENCASEMENT? ? S7 STRIP OR STRIPS OR STRAP OR STRAPS OR BAND OR BANDS 911271 S8 S1:S3 AND S4:S5 AND S6 AND S7 20 S9 19 RD (unique items) S10 0 \$9/2004 S9/2003 [not relevant] S11 2 S12 17 S9 NOT S11 S13 17 Sort S12/ALL/PY, A 252 S1:S2 AND S4:S5(S)S6:S7 S14 S15 95 S1:S2/TI,DE AND S14 S4:S5(5N)S6:S7 S16 156732 S17 29 S15 AND S16 S18 29 S17 NOT S8 S19 21 RD (unique items) S20 0 S19/2004 S21 2 S19/2003 S22 19 S19 NOT S21 S23 19 Sort S22/ALL/PY, A S24 3 S1 AND S3 AND S16 S25 S24 NOT (S8 OR S17) 13/7/3 (Item 3 from file: 8) DIALOG(R)File 8:Ei Compendex(R) (c) 2004 Elsevier Eng. Info. Inc. All rts. reserv. 02282446 E.I. Monthly No: EIM8710-071859 TO THE PROBLEM OF FULL OPENING OF THE AIR-SUPPORTED HEMISPHERICAL DOME. Author: Yermolov, Vadim V. Corporate Source: Moscow Inst of Architecture, Moscow, USSR Title: International Association for Shell and Spatial Conference Structures International Congress: Theory and Experimental Investigation of Spatial Structures, Application of Shells in Engineering Structures. Conference Location: Moscow, USSR Conference Date: 19850923 Sponsor: Int Assoc for Shell & Spatial Structures, Madrid, Spain E.I. Conference No.: 09526

Source: v 4. Publ by USSR Gosstroy, Central Scientific Research Inst of

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Building Structures, Moscow, USSR p 40-45

Publication Year: 1985

Language: English

Document Type: PA; (Conference Paper)

Journal Announcement: 8710

Abstract: One of possible ways of realisation of the idea of temporal rigidization of an air-supported dome-like structure by inflating the air into strips, sewed (glued, welded) on the surface of an envelope, forming its framework, is described. The calculations show that a spherical dome with a diameter of 70 m demands a sewing upon it of three strips meeting at one point, each 8 m wide. By an overpressure of 8 kPa in the arches, the hoop tension reaches 20 kN/m, which by a twofold margin, corresponds to a material with a strength of 40 kN/m, that is the material of which the main envelope is made. (Edited author abstract)

#### 13/7/5 (Item 5 from file: 323)

DIALOG(R) File 323: RAPRA Rubber & Plastics

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00340257

TITLE: AIRTIGHT ENVELOPE

SOURCE: European Rubber Journal; 169, No.7, July/Aug.1987, p.36

ISSN: 0260-5317

CODEN: ERJTDW JOURNAL ANNOUNCEMENT: 198711 RAPRA UPDATE: 198722

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal Article

LANGUAGE: English SUBFILE: (R) RAPRA

ABSTRACT: An airtight elastomeric **envelope** developed by Manfred Vetter, a West German inventor, is said to eliminate the currently used rubber **strips** that cause uneven pressures when the **envelope** is inflated. The design of the unvulcanised NR **envelope** is briefly described demonstrating the size and shape of the opening section

#### 13/7/14 (Item 14 from file: 6)

DIALOG(R) File 6:NTIS

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2182077 NTIS Accession Number: N20000088652/XAB

Item Description: ISS TransHab Restraint Sample and Photo Documentation Adams, C.

Lockheed Martin Corp., Houston, TX. Space Mission Systems and Services. Corp. Source Codes: 113611001; L1323820

Sponsor: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC. 2000 5p

Languages: English

Journal Announcement: USGRDR0101; STAR0103

Presented at Space Architecture Chicago, IL 1 Feb. 2000.

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Country of Publication: United States

Contract No.: NAS9-18800

The yellow **strap** seen in the display is a piece of the main restraint layer of a test article for the ISS TransHab spacecraft, First conceived as a technology which is capable of supporting a (human) crew of six on an extended space journey such as the six-month trip to Mars, TransHab (short

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for 'Transit habitat') is the first space inflatable designed. As this text is written it is being considered as a replacement for the Habitation module on the International Space Station (ISS). It constitutes a major breakthrough both in technology and in tectonics: capable of tight packaging at light weight for efficient launch, the vehicle can then be inflated to its full size on orbit via its own inflation tanks. This is made possible by the separation of its main elements from its pressure-shell. In other words, all structural spacecraft flown to date have been of an exoskeletal type---i.e., its hard outer shell acts both as a pressure container and as its main channel for loading This includes the ISS, which is currently under construction in Low Earth Orbit (275 miles above the Earth). By contrast TransHab is the first endoskeletal space Habitat, consisting of a dual system: a light, reconfigurable central structure of graphite composite and a multilayered, deployable pressure shell.

21/7/1 (Item 1 from file: 144)

DIALOG(R) File 144: Pascal

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16008715 PASCAL No.: 03-0154117

Structural analysis of pneumatic envelopes: Variational formulation and optimization-based solution process

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Journal: AIAA journal, 2003 , 41 (2) 304-311

ISSN: 0001-1452 CODEN: AIAJAH Availability: INIST-214;

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No. of Refs.: 11 ref.

Document Type: P (Serial) ; A (Analytic) Country of Publication: United States

Language: English

Large super-light structural systems that for functional reasons require large surfaces are composed at least in part of structural membranes. The underconstrained nature of such structural membranes poses analytical challenges, but also provides design opportunities that are not commonly found in other structural systems that require the arsenal of solid-mechanics analytical tools for the assessment of design validity and performance. Overcoming some of the challenges that are posed by the underconstrained nature of such systems is an important ingredient in the development process for gossamer spacecraft. Our approach is a variational formulation of the analytical problem in conjunction with optimization techniques in the solution process. The optimization-based solution process avoids convergence problems that are encountered in the solution process of finite element formulations of these underconstrained structures . To illustrate our approach, we carry out a structural analysis of a pumpkin balloon . Our formulation incorporates wrinkling of the balloon film and structural lack of fit between the skin and the tendon in the unloaded, that is, unstrained, structure . Our results on pumpkin balloons suggest the possibility of similar success if our methods are applied to other pneumatic envelopes .

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21/7/2 (Item 1 from file: 94)

DIALOG(R) File 94:JICST-EPlus

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05596656 JICST ACCESSION NUMBER: 03A0703125 FILE SEGMENT: JICST-E On the Design Issues of a Stratospheric Platform Airship Structure.

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(1) National Aerospace Lab.

Koku Uchu Gijutsu Kenkyujo Shiryo NAL,TM(Technical Memorandum of National Aerospace Laboratory), 2003 , NO.772, PAGE.13P, FIG.13, TBL.4, REF.25

JOURNAL NUMBER: G0517AAX ISSN NO: 1347-460X UNIVERSAL DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION: 629.7.01/.02

LANGUAGE: Japanese COUNTRY OF PUBLICATION: Japan

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

ARTICLE TYPE: Original paper MEDIA TYPE: Printed Publication

ABSTRACT: Attention is being drawn to the possibility of the airship as a stratospheric platform, as communication technology develops. The airship was invented toward the end of the 19th century, and subsequently made rapid progress, falling into a rapid decline however with the remarkable advance of aircraft technology. Nowadays only small airships are utilized, for sightseeing and advertising. Airships are thought more suitable when the purpose is to remain stationary at high altitudes, because they gain lift by gas buoyancy, in contrast to aircraft, which gain lift by advance speed. In the concept of the stratospheric platform, many airships are floated in the stratosphere serving as platforms for communications, broadcasting or ground observation. As part of efforts to promote this concept, a Ground-to-Stratosphere Flight Test Vehicle and a Low-Altitude-Stationary Flight Test Vehicle are currently being developed. Many technical issues have emerged in the development of these vehicles. However a much severer design will be required to allow stationary flight at around an altitude of 20km in the development of the stratospheric platform. Therefore research should be performed not only on the technical issues identified in the current test vehicle development, but also on issues in the stratospheric platform development. This memorandum discusses the design issues of an airship structure rather than the overall technical problems of the stratospheric platform. The topics covered are airship specifications, structure style, envelope materials, loads, stresses, sloshing, and test methods. (author abst.)

23/6/12 (Item 12 from file: 144)

13124175 PASCAL No.: 97-0106321

Complete acoustic stop bands for cubic arrays of spherical liquid balloons
1996-09-15

23/6/17 (Item 17 from file: 323)

00834681

TITLE: ZEPPELIN FLIES AGAIN

23/6/18 (Item 18 from file: 8)

06393610

Title: On the background rate in the LXeGRIT instrument during the 2000 balloon flight

Conference Title: X-Ray and Gamma-Ray Telescopes and Instruments for Astronomy

Publication Year: 2002

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23/7/2 (Item 2 from file: 6)

DIALOG(R) File 6:NTIS

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0909929 NTIS Accession Number: AD-A101 414/1/XAB

Need to Reevaluate Helistat Program Objectives and Progress

General Accounting Office, Washington, DC. Mission Analysis and Acquisition Div.

Corp. Source Codes: 010682020; 412187

Report No.: GAO/MASAD-81-31

2 Jun 81 12p Languages: English

Journal Announcement: GRAI8123

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NTIS Prices: PC A02/MF A01

Country of Publication: United States

The purpose of the Helistat program is to demonstrate that aerial logging operations are economical in steep mountainous terrain. To do this, the Forest Service is déveloping a lighter-than-air vehiclé consisting of a 343-foot long blimp envelope with a frame which has four SH34J helicopters attached to it. In managing the program, the Forest Service has unnecessarily tied program milestones to land management planning time and moved too hastily, thereby overlooking essential considerations in planning a development strategy. For example, potential users were not contacted before beginning the program to get their participation and advice for determining the need for, uses of, and operational requirements for a Helistat concept vehicle. Information which we have developed from contacting potential users shows that it is questionable whether the Helistat concept under development will have practical application as a timber harvesting method. We believe more fundamental acquisition management principles should be used in planning and managing the Helistat program. This will require user participation and advice to assure industry interest in the program and development of a . vehicle that meets user needs.

## 23/7/7 (Item 7 from file: 323)

DIALOG(R) File 323: RAPRA Rubber & Plastics

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00312902

TITLE: AIRSHIP TAKES PART IN FOUR-FLIGHTS-A-DAY SERVICE

SOURCE: Plastics and Rubber Weekly; No.1140, 31st May 1986, p.1

ISSN: 0032-1168

JOURNAL ANNOUNCEMENT: 198608 RAPRA UPDATE: 198615

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal Article

LANGUAGE: English

ABSTRACT: Airship Industries owns an airship with its structure consisting of a polyester envelope internally coated with PU, which takes part in a four-flights-a-day service over central London, the first scheduled airship service since 1937. The company is winding the service up on June 15 and beginning it again in Autumn 1986, or next year, when it will replace the present '500' gondolas with larger capacity '600's. The are no plans to travel further afield for the moment, although this could happen in future. This abstract includes all the information contained in the original article.

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23/7/10 (Item 10 from file: 34)

DIALOG(R) File 34:SciSearch(R) Cited Ref Sci

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03060359 Genuine Article#: BZ78B Number of References: 2

Title: RECENT ADVANCES IN THE STRUCTURAL-ANALYSIS OF SCIENTIFIC BALLOONS Author(s): SCHUR WW

Corporate Source: NEW MEXICO STATE UNIV, PHYS SCI LAB, FIELD ENGN

GRP, NASA, WALLOPS FLIGHT FACIL/WALLOPS ISL//VA/23337

Journal: ADVANCES IN SPACE RESEARCH, 1993, V14, N2, P43-47

ISSN: 0273-1177

Language: ENGLISH Document Type: REVIEW

Abstract: The analysis of balloon envelopes by the finite element (FE) method is plagued by convergence problems. A practical FE analysis approach is based on the fact that in thin shells with non-zero Gaussian curvature the membrane solution component is essentially decoupled from the bending solution component. A proxy-problem is solved by using a small artificial bending stiffness that assures convergence without significantly affecting the membrane solution component. This approach has been previously validated on slightly overpressurized balloon envelopes. Extensions of this approach to more difficult problems in the structural analysis of balloon envelopes are presented. The convergence forcing modelling measures are discussed. Implications of the findings of the analysis results to future balloon designs are also discussed.

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DIALOG(R) File 144: Pascal

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13369878 PASCAL No.: 97-0555272

Stop bands for cubic arrays of spherical balloons

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(1) 619-622

ISSN: 0001-4966 CODEN: JASMAN Availability: INIST-129

Document Type: P (Serial) ; A (Analytic)

Country of Publication: United States

Language: English

The acoustic band structures have been computed for cubic arrays of spherical hydrogen balloons in air. Stop bands are obtained for the face-centered-cubic (fcc) and body-centered-cubic (bcc) lattices, however, there is no band gap for the simple cubic lattice. These gaps are largest for a volume fraction of similar 38% and, at low balloon pressure (1.10 atm) and small latex wall thickness (10-3 times the inner radius), the corresponding gap/midgap ratios are about 0.2 for the fcc and 0.1 for the bcc structure. As the pressure or wall thickness increases, the stop bands diminish and ultimately vanish. (c) 1997 Acoustical Society of America. Copyright (c) 1997 American Institute of Physics. All rights reserved.

23/7/15 (Item 15 from file: 323)

DIALOG(R) File 323: RAPRA Rubber & Plastics

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## TITLE: MECHANICAL BEHAVIOUR OF FABRIC-FILM LAMINATES

AUTHOR(S): Sai M A

CORPORATE SOURCE: NASA

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS: Antec '99. Volume II. Conference proceedings

CORPORATE EDITOR: SPE

SOURCE: New York City, 2nd-6th May 1999, p.2570-2. 012

JOURNAL ANNOUNCEMENT: 199912 RAPRA UPDATE: 199924

DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference Papers

LANGUAGE: English SUBFILE: (R) RAPRA

ABSTRACT: Inflatable structures are gaining wide support in planetary scientific missions as well as commercial applications. For such applications a new class of materials made of laminating thin homogeneous films to lightweight fabrics are being considered as structural gas envelopes . The emerging composite materials are a result of recent advances in the manufacturing of lightweight, high strength fibres, fabrics and scrims. The lamination of these load-carrying members with the proper gas barrier film results in a wide range of materials suitable for various loading and environmental conditions. Polyester-based woven fabrics laminated to thin homogeneous film of polyester (Mylar) are an example of this class. This fabric/film laminate is being considered for the development of a material suitable for building large gas envelopes for use in the NASA Ultra Long Duration Balloon Program (ULDB). Compared to commercial homogeneous films, the material provides relatively high strength-to-weight ratio as well as better resistance to crack and tear propagation. The mechanical behaviour of this class of multi-layer composite is introduced and some of the concerns observed during the characterisation of these laminate composites are highlighted. 6 refs.

#### 23/7/16 (Item 16 from file: 8)

DIALOG(R)File 8:Ei Compendex(R)

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05579056 E.I. No: EIP00065194642

Title: Japanese balloon program

Author: Nishimura, J.

Corporate Source: Yamagata Acad of Technology, Tokyo, Jpn

Conference Title: PSB1 Symposium of the COSPAR Panel on Technical Problems Related to 'Scientific Ballooning' - 32nd COSPAR Scientific Assembly

Conference Location: Nagoya, Jpn Conference Date: 19980712-19980719

Sponsor: AIAA; NASA; NFS; COSPAR

E.I. Conference No.: 56848

Source: Advances in Space Research v 26 n 9 2000. p 1313-1322

Publication Year: 2000

CODEN: ASRSDW ISSN: 0273-1177

Language: English

Document Type: JA; (Journal Article) Treatment: G; (General Review)

Journal Announcement: 0007W4

Abstract: In mid 1960s, ISAS founded the Japanese scientific ballooning program. The balloon group focused mainly in the development of the balloon technologies and scientific observations in collaboration with scientists and engineers in other universities and organizations. This article presents an overview of several subjects of recent activities. 27 Refs.

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 File 350:Derwent WPIX 1963-2004/UD,UM &UP=200416 File 347: JAPIO Nov 1976-2003/Nov (Updated 040308) File 371:French Patents 1961-2002/BOPI 200209 Items Description S1 18110 BALLOON? ? S2 1638 BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE? ? OR AEROSTAT OR AEROSTATS OR AIRSHIP? ? OR ZEPPELIN? ? OR GASBAG? ? OR BALLONET? ? LIGHTER()THAN()AIR OR INFLATABLE 24533 S4 1440204 ROD OR RODS OR FRAME OR FRAMES OR FRAMING OR FRAMEWORK? ? -OR SKELETON OR SKELETAL S5 1582266 STRUCTUR?? SLEEVE? ? OR ENVELOPE? ? OR POCKET? ? OR CHANNEL? ? OR JAC-1214595 KET? ? OR SHEATH?? OR CASING? ? OR ENCASEMENT? ? S7 650365 STRIP OR STRIPS OR STRAP OR STRAPS OR BAND OR BANDS S8 370 IC=A63H-003/06 S9 615 LIGHTER () THAN () AIR S10 19769 S1 OR S2 OR S9 S4:S5(S)S6(S)S7 S11 6599 \$12 11 S10 AND S11 S13 0 S8 AND S11 S14 0 S4:S5 AND S6 AND S7 AND S8 S15 9 S4:S5 AND S6:S7 AND S8 **S16** 9 S15 NOT S12 S17 411 S10 AND S4:S5(S)S6:S7 S18 221 S10/TI AND S17 S19 111 S10(S)S4:S5(5N)S6:S7 S20 76 S10/TI AND S19 S21 3 S6 AND S7 AND S20 1 S21 NOT (S12 OR S15) S22 66 S4:S5(3N)S6:S7(S)S10 S23 S24 46 S10/TI AND S23 S25 S24 NOT (S12 OR S15 OR S21) 43 S2[.]6 S20 NOT (S12 OR S15 OR S21 OR S24) 29 12/7,K/6 (Item 6 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2004 THOMSON DERWENT. All rts. reserv. 012757709 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 1999-563828/199948 Inflatable balloon for advertising and display purposes Patent Assignee: ECA 2 (ECAT-N) Inventor: PEPIN Y Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week FR 2775653 A1 19990910 FR 982845 Α 19980309 199948 B Priority Applications (No Type Date): FR 982845 A 19980309 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes FR 2775653 A1 15 B64B-001/50 Abstract (Basic): FR 2775653 A1 NOVELTY - The inflatable balloon includes multiple tethering wires to provide stability. DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The inflatable balloon structure (10)

comprises a flexible **envelope** which is adopts an ovoid shape when inflated, with the lower end fastened to the ground The ovoid is formed

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in three sections (I, II, III) forming the lower, central and upper sections. Within the **structure** there are horizontal circular **bands** to which retaining wires are attached at spaced points (1-6, A-I, a-i). These wires extend to the ground in order to ensure that the **balloon** is stabilized, and the fabric kept under tension with the pressure of air inside. Some points are connected externally, and some are connected internally. The wire lengths may be controlled during inflation, under the control of a central programmer.

USE - Control of inflatable balloon used for public performances and demonstrations.

ADVANTAGE - Provides enhanced stability in wind, and assists in elegant inflation and deflation of **balloon** in front of spectators. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the inflated **balloon**. inflatable **balloon** structure (10) spaced points (1-6,A-1,a-i)

pp; 15 DwgNo 2/3

Derwent Class: P36; P82; Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/50

International Patent Class (Additional): A63J-023/00; G03B-021/58

#### 12/7,K/8 (Item 8 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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010888775 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1996-385726/199639

Model airship which is capable of flying - has very light frame construction mostly made of balsa wood strips with gas-tight casing for receiving helium gas

Patent Assignee: SAX F (SAXF-I)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
DE 29609516 U1 19960822 199639 B

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

DE 29609516 U1 7 A63H-027/18

Abstract (Basic): DE 29609516 U

Twelve segments are used to form the transverse **frame** (1) and are formed from 1.5 mm balsa wood with a height of 14 mm. The individual segments are adhered together by means of an additional small piece (2) of balsa wood. At each of the twelve corner points, a longitudinal strip (3) is adhered in an insert.

The twelve segments run over the complete length of the <code>airship</code> and are brought together at the bow and the stern, thus forming the shape of a known <code>zeppelin</code>. To save wt. no controllable side rudder is incorporated and steering in a horizontal direction is by means of two separately controllable motors on the left and right sides of the <code>airship</code>.

ADVANTAGE - The model **airship** is ideal for taking aerial photographs and for publicity purposes, partic. in exhibition halls. Dwg.3/4

Derwent Class: P36

International Patent Class (Main): A63H-027/18

## 12/7, K/9 (Item 9 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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010392353 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1995-293666/199539

Confectionery packing - comprises box with head and feet, head consisting of inflatable toy balloon and feet folded out from bottom

Patent Assignee: ANAGRAM BALLON GMBH (ANAG-N)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
DE 4405118 A1 19950824 DE 4405118 A 19940217 199539 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 4405118 A 19940217

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

DE 4405118 A1 4 B65D-025/20

Abstract (Basic): DE 4405118 A

The confectionery packing comprises a box (1) for the confectionery, with the box having head and feet. The head consists of an inflatable balloon composed of two sealed sheets one above the other, welded together at the edges. It also has feet (4) on the underside (7) of the box. The balloon is attached to the top of the box by a radial strap.

The strap fits in a casing which in-turn fits in a bore in the top (6) of the box. A spiral spring (19) sits between the connecting element (5) and the toy balloon. The box has a rod (14) which is connected to the strap or to the connecting element carrying the balloon.

ADVANTAGE - More attractive to potential customers.

Dwg.1,3/3

Derwent Class: Q32; Q34

International Patent Class (Main): B65D-025/20

International Patent Class (Additional): B65D-005/44; B65D-085/60

16/26,TI/7 (Item 7 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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009121834

WPI Acc No: 1992-249271/199230

Network for multiple spout balloons - has tubular frame with plugs to attach balloons at spouts

16/7,K/2 (Item 2 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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013738156 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 2001-222386/200123

Synthetic resin made bag for pocket of beach ball, is formed by heat welding surfaces of olefin type resin sheet to form hollow cylinders, at opening circumferences

Patent Assignee: OTANI KK (OTAN-N)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
JP 2001031109 A 20010206 JP 99209997 A 19990723 200123 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 99209997 A 19990723

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

JP 2001031109 A 16 B65D-030/10

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004

Abstract (Basic): JP 2001031109 A

NOVELTY - The synthetic resin made bag (1) has a pair of hollow cylinders (2,3) formed with olefin type resin sheets (5-8). The resin sheets are surface treated to print to one surfaces (5a,6a,7a,8a) which faces the front side. The other surfaces (7b,8b) are heat welded to form a hollow **structure** at opening circumferences (5d,7d).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - In an another arrangement, a connecting sheet with connection hole is provided for connecting the two hollow cylinders. The connecting sheet is heat welded at opening circumferences. The adjacent surfaces of two sheets are laminated and the opposite surfaces of the two sheets are bent and joined. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for the manufacturing apparatus of synthetic resin made bag which involves heat welding two sheets of opposite surfaces to form a circumference of one hollow cylinder. The same process is carried out for forming another hollow cylinder. Heat welding is carried out at the opening circumference of both hollow cylinders. In an alternate method, the plug is provided at the opening and connection sheet formed with olefin type resin sheet is connected between the two resin sheets.

USE - For **pocket** of beach ball, air vinyl doll and vinyl manufacturing notebook cover.

ADVANTAGE - Avoids generation of toxic substances such as dioxin during incineration, as the synthetic resin made bag is formed with olefin type resin sheet. Enhances printing character, picture and pattern, as the outer surface is treated and hence manufacturing decorative bag is easy.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the cross-sectional view of synthetic resin made bag.

Bag (1)

Hollow cylinders (2,3)

Resin sheets (5-8)

Surfaces (5d,7d) Circumferences (5a,6a,7a,8a,7b,8b)

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Derwent Class: A95; P36; P72; P76; Q32

International Patent Class (Main): B65D-030/10

International Patent Class (Additional): A63B-041/00; A63H-003/06;

A63H-009/00; B29C-065/02; B29K-023-00; B29L-031-52; B29L-031-54;

B31B-001/64; B42D-003/18

## 16/7,K/3 (Item 3 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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013432002 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 2000-603945/200058

Design and manufacture of entertainment balloons allows freedom of assembly in shape and size

Patent Assignee: KOMABA K (KOMA-I)

Inventor: KOMABA K

Number of Countries: 029 Number of Patents: 005

Patent Family:

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Pat	tent No	Kind	Date	Appli	cat No	Kind	Date	Week	
ΕP	1044708	A2	20001018	EP 20	00107184	A	20000412	200058	В
ΑU	200028876	Α	20001019	AU 20	0028876	Α	20000414	200058	
CA	2303681	<b>A</b> 1	20001015	CA 23	03681	Α	20000403	200061	
JP	2000356965	Α	20001226	JP 20	0033531	Α	20000210	200105	
US	6276984	B1	20010821	US 20	00504148	Α	20000215	200150	

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 99108642 A 19990415

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

EP 1044708 A2 E 10 A63H-027/10

Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI

AU 200028876 A A63H-027/10 CA 2303681 A1 E A63H-027/10 JP 2000356965 A 6 G09F-019/00 US 6276984 B1 A63H-003/06

US 6276984 B1 A63H-003/06 Abstract (Basic): EP 1044708 A2

NOVELTY - Front (2a) and rear (2b) panels are rectangular and are melt-bonded together. On at least one of the surfaces of the protrusions (3) and on the surfaces of the body (2) are stuck strips of paper-protected double-sided adhesive tape. A conventional non-return gas input valve (5) is incorporated.

USE - For shows and entertainments.

ADVANTAGE - Balloons can be displayed freely in shape and size without any  $\ensuremath{\mathbf{frame}}$  members.

 ${\tt DESCRIPTION}$  OF  ${\tt DRAWING(S)}$  - The diagram shows a perspective view of a construction of a balloon.

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Derwent Class: P36; P85

International Patent Class (Main): A63H-003/06; A63H-027/10; G09F-019/00

#### 16/7, K/4 (Item 4 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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012543571 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1999-349677/199930

Self inflatable enclosure with discrete chambers, for use as e.g. life raft, inflatable toy, or novelty item

Patent Assignee: LIEBERMANN R B (LIEB-I)

Inventor: LIEBERMANN R B

Number of Countries: 002 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week 19990707 GB 9821710 GB 2332882 Α 19981007 199930 B Α US 5941752 19990824 US 97960785 Α 19971030 199941 A В GB 2332882 20011107 GB 9821710 Α. 19981007 200169

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97960785 A 19971030

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

GB 2332882 A 24 B63C-009/18 US 5941752 A A63H-003/06 GB 2332882 B B63C-009/18 Abstract (Basic): GB 2332882 A

NOVELTY - The enclosure (24) has a first reactive component (16) contained within a fracturable first envelope (12) which in turn is contained in a second envelope (14) having at least one self sealing aperture (40) through it, and containing a second reactive component (20). The second envelope is contained is contained within a third envelope (26). The first and second components (16,20) are reactable to generate a gas which discharges into the third envelope only on the second envelope (14) having a predetermined internal pressure.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The third envelope is made from water and

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stretch resistant material. The second **envelope** is made for coextruded film having first and second polymers. Preferably teh first is nylon, and teh second is low density polyethylene, or the first is high density polyethylne, and teh second is low density polyethylene. The first and second reactive components are an acid, and base, preferably lemon juice and cirtric acid, and sodium bicarbonate respectively, or citric acid and sodium bicarbonate. A super absorbent material is dispersed through one of teh first and second reactive components, to form a gel.

USE - As life raft, inflatable toy, of novelty item suck as balloon.

ADVANTAGE - For inflatable lift raft, inflatable toy, or novelty item such as a device attached to a fishing **rod**, which inflates if teh **rod** is dropped into the water.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a cross section view.

first envelope (12)

second envelope (14)

first reactive component (16)

second reactive component (20)

third envelope (26)

self sealing aperture (40)

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Derwent Class: A17; A23; A86; A95; K04; P36; Q24

International Patent Class (Main): A63H-003/06; B63C-009/18

International Patent Class (Additional): B01J-007/02; B63B-009/125;

B63B-022/22

#### 16/7,K/5 (Item 5 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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012124627 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1998-541539/199846

Collapsible stuffed toy figure - has balloons which are inflated in head and torso so as to impart three dimensional form

Patent Assignee: SPECTOR D (SPEC-I)

Inventor: SPECTOR D

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 5813896 A 19980929 US 97840655 A 19970425 199846 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97840655 A 19970425

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 5813896 A 5 A63H-003/06

Abstract (Basic): US 5813896 A

The toy figure comprises a fabric casing which is shaped such that it defines a head (10), torso (12), neck, arms (15,16) and legs. A compressible stuffing is provided to impart a three dimensional form. A first balloon is inflated in the head.

The head has a slit to receive the balloon in the deflated state. A second balloon is inflated in the slit form in torso. The figure is collapsible so that it becomes compact during packaging.

ADVANTAGE - Reduces occupancy space. Offers compact **structure** . Dwq.1/4

Derwent Class: P36

International Patent Class (Main): A63H-003/06

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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007043408

WPI Acc No: 1987-043405/198706

Toy with envelope enclosing moving mechanism - has rigid tube to hold helically grooved rod in axially movable manner while rotating

Patent Assignee: WANG C C (WANG-I)

Inventor: WANG C C

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 4639232 A 19870127 US 85707476 A 19850301 198706 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 85707476 A 19850301

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 4639232 A 8

Abstract (Basic): US 4639232 A

The toy comprises an **envelope** having a flexible material wall, and a sheet extending across an interior portion of the **envelope** and being connected to an inner side of the wall. A rigid **tubular** member is centered through the sheet and has an outer periphery. A transverse plate having a central opening and a cam edge around the opening is fixed at a top end of the tubular member.

A moving **rod** is mounted in the tubular member and passes through the central opening so as to be axially movable through it. The moving **rod** has an outer periphery, a longitudinal axis, a top end, and a bottom end. Helical grooves of predetermined length are provided on the outer periphery of the moving **rod**, so as to engage with the cam edge around the central opening in the transverse plate.

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Derwent Class: P36

International Patent Class (Additional): A63H-003/06

16/7, K/9 (Item 1 from file: 371)

000903419 **Image present**

Titre: Structure pour un objet gonflable emettant lumiere et son.

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 FR 9315098 - 19931215

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 FR 9315098 - 19931215

Resume:

Structure d'objet gonflable (1) emetteur de lumiere et de son, constituee d'une enveloppe inferieure creuse (2) pour fixation a la membrane exterieure de l'objet gonflable par un scellement prechauffe, et d'une enceinte (3) en forme de boite pouvant etre inseree dans l'enveloppe inferieure; sur le cote inferieur de l'enveloppe une ouverture debouche dans l'interieur de l'objet gonflable pour l'insertion

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780

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d'un bouchon muni de fils conducteurs, le bouchon pouvant se monter etroitement dans ladite ouverture afin de conserver la forme de l'objet gonfle, tout en permettant les liaisons electriques entre l'interieur de l'enceinte et une lumiere decorative situee a l'interieur de l'objet ainsi qu'entre une alimentation et un ensemble emetteur de son se trouvant dans l'enceinte, l'enceinte pouvant etre facilement inseree dans l'enveloppe inferieure, ce qui permet a l'objet gonfle de presenter les fonctions d'emission d'une lumiere et d'un son.

Classification Internationale (Principale): A63H-003/06

Classification Internationale: A63H-003/28; A63H-003/36; F21V-033/00

Descripteurs Francais: JOUET GONFLABLE; DECORATION; EMISSION; LUMIERE; SON; ENVELOPPE; BOITIER; COMMUTATEUR; MOUVEMENT

Descripteurs Anglais: INFLATABLE TOY; ORNAMENT; EMITTER; LIGHT; SOUND; ENVELOPE; CASING; SWITCH; MOVEMENT

#### 22/7,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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009224379 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1992-351801/199243

# Airships with supporting framework - which consists of series of transverse frames and longitudinals located in between

Patent Assignee: LUFTSCHIFFBAU ZEPPELIN GMBH (LUFT-N)

Inventor: HAGENLOCHER K; HAGENLOHER K

Number of Countries: 007 Number of Patents: 011

Patent Family:

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GB 2254833	A	19921021	GB 928265	A	19920414	199243	В
DE 4112621	A	19921022	DE 4112621	Α	19910418	199244	
FR 2675462	<b>A</b> 1	19921023	FR 923172	Α	19920317	199251	
ZA 9202515	A	19921230	ZA 922515	A	19920407	199307	
DE 4233768	A1	19931014	DE 4233768	A	19921007	199342	N
US 5285986	Α	19940215	US 92869645	A	19920416	199407	
RU 2003596	C1	19931130	SU 5011253	A	19920408	199411	
DE 4112621	C2	19940623	DE 4112621	Α	19910418	199423	
GB 2254833	В	19940928	GB 928265	Α	19920414	199436	
IT 1259545	В	19960320	IT 92TO346	Α	19920416	199639	
DE 4233768	C2	20000608	DE 4233768	A	19921007	200032	N

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 4112621 A 19910418; DE 4233768 A 19921007

Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind Lan	Рq	Main IPC	Fili	lng	Notes		
GB 2254833	A	-	B64B-001/06					
DE 4112621	A	23	B64B-001/14					
FR 2675462	A1		B64B-001/14					
ZA 9202515	, A	32	B64B-000/00					
DE 4233768	A1	12	B64B-001/58	Add	to	patent	DE	4112621
US 5285986	A	15	B64B-001/06					
RU 2003596	C1	11	B64B-001/14					
DE 4112621	C2	13	B64B-001/14	Add	in	patent	DE	4233768
GB 2254833	В		B64B-001/06					
IT 1259545	В		B64B-000/00					
DE 4233768	C2		B64B-001/58	Add	to	patent	DE	4112621
Abstract (E	Basic): GH	3 22	254833 A					

The airship with a supporting framework comprises a number of transverse frames and a number of longitudinals disposed between the

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frames, and with at least one gas space for buoyancy gas. The transverse frames comprise in each case three elongate members disposed in the form of an isosceles or equilateral triangle with an apex of the triangle pointing upwards. The corners of the triangle form nodal points for connecting the longitudinals to the elongate members. The supporting framework is covered by an envelope comprising at least three longitudinally extending envelope segments which are secured, along longitudinal edges of it, to one another and to the longitudinals of the supporting framework. The envelope delimits the outward extent of the gas space of the airship and defining the shape of the airship.

A front part and a rear part of the airship contain respective inflatable and deflatable air chambers for control purposes which are located on a base region of the framework. In the inflated condition they occupy the triangular cross-section of the framework in the front and rear parts.

ADVANTAGE - Less noise and vibration.

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Abstract (Equivalent): GB 2254833 B

An airship with a supporting framework comprising a plurality of transverse frames and a plurality of longitudinals disposed between the frames, and with at least one gas space for buoyancy gas, wherein the transverse frames comprise in each case three elongate members disposed in the form of an isosceles or equilateral triangle with an apex of the triangle pointing upwards, and with the corners of the triangle forming nodal points for connecting the longitudinals to the elongate members, the supporting **framework** is covered by an **envelope** comprising at least three longitudinally extending envelope segments which are secured, along longitudinal edges thereof, to one another and to the longitudinals of the supporting **framework** , the **envelope** delimiting the outward extent of the gas space of the airship and defining the shape of the airship, and a front part of a rear part of the airship contain respective inflatable and deflatable air chambers for control purposes which are located on a base region of the framework and, in an inflated condition, occupy the triangular cross-section of the framework in the said front and rear parts.

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Abstract (Equivalent): US 5285986 A

An airship has a carrier frame with triangular cross-ribs arranged so that an apex faces upwardly and a base faces downwardly. This longitudinal beams at the corners of the triangles interconnect the cross-ribs. The carrier **frame** is enclosed by an **envelope** including at least three skin segments joined to each other along seams coinciding with the longitudinal frame beams.

Each skin segment extends entirely from the bow to the stern and may include several  $\verb"strips"$ . At least two steering air chambers are provided, one near the bow, the other near the stern for trimming purposes.

ADVANTAGE - The seams, or at least one of the seams, is so constructed that it is readily openable and closable for providing access to the interior of the airship.

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Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-000/00; B64B-001/06; B64B-001/14;
B64B-001/58

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/08; B64B-001/18

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25/26,TI/20 (Item 20 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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010342597

WPI Acc No: 1995-244682/199532

Gondola for hot air balloon - has weft of three-dimensional fabric made from single threads whilst horizontal layers have complex threads

25/26,TI/22 (Item 22 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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010034174

WPI Acc No: 1994-301887/199437

Semi-rigid airship using hydrogen to provide lift - with hydrogen engine exhaust gas disposed between envelope and cell supported by keel, powered by solar cell during daytime

25/26,TI/24 (Item 24 from file: 350)

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009836091

WPI Acc No: 1994-115947/199414

Cupping glass - with resilient balloon fixed to hollow cylindrical body, and heat conductor in form of rod in piston channel

25/26,TI/32 (Item 32 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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007316522

WPI Acc No: 1987-313529/198744

Bicycle noise making balloon - has straps to secure balloon to frame via hook and loop fastening material

25/26,TI/33 (Item 33 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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004264343

WPI Acc No: 1985-091221/198515

Pneumatic centring - has pneumatic fastening balloons on outer surface of casing, each with air valve at apex

25/26,TI/37 (Item 37 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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002307365

WPI Acc No: 1980-B3797C/198006

Distress signal balloon appts. - operated by impact to produce gas and raise balloon on tether to indicate remote accident site

25/7, K/1 (Item 1 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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015620233 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 2003-682404/200365

Airship has envelope containing variable volume chambers filled with

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lighter - than - air gas and adjustable by actuator to form ballast

Patent Assignee: PATERAS PESCARA DE CASTELLUCCIO C (DCAS-I)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week FR 2836449 A1 20030829 FR 20022412 A 20020226 200365 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): FR 20022412 A 20020226

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

FR 2836449 A1 17 B64B-001/58

Abstract (Basic): FR 2836449 A1

NOVELTY - The airship has a rigid frame (2) and an envelope (3), a suspended nacelle (4), and a series of inner chambers (5) containing a lighter - than - air gas. The chambers have a variable inner volume, controlled by the deployment of an actuator (6) operated by a generator and a command and control unit (8). Each ballast chamber has a wall in the form of a basically cylindrical bellows and two end walls, one of which is movable and connected to the actuator and an inner power cylinder. The generator is in the form of a free piston engine.

USE - Airship use e.g. for agricultural work such as crop spraying. ADVANTAGE - The buoyancy of the airship can be adjusted without loss of ballast or gas.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a cross-section of the airship in side view.

Rigid frame (2)

Envelope (3)

Nacelle (4)

Variable-volume chambers (5)

Actuator (6)

Command and control unit (8)

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Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/58

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/06

#### 25/7,K/5 (Item 5 from file: 350)

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014931542 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 2002-752251/200282

Energy-absorbing protective envelope for airship or balloon has energy-absorbing material webs extending between pressurised hoses forming pneumatic support structure

Patent Assignee: DORNIER GMBH (DOSY )

Inventor: FRITZSCHE A; KOCH H

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
DE 10149036 C1 20021205 DE 1049036 A 20011005 200282 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 1049036 A 20011005

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

DE 10149036 C1 8 B64B-001/14

Abstract (Basic): DE 10149036 C1

NOVELTY - The protective envelope has one or more energy-absorbing

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material webs extending between a number of relatively spaced individual pressurised hoses (22), acting as a pneumatic support structure for the protective envelope. The number of material webs and the diameter of the pressurised hoses are matched to the required protection level of the protective envelope for the enclosed balloon body (20) or airship.

USE - The energy-absorbing protective envelope is used for enclosing a balloon or airship for preventing it being shot down.

ADVANTAGE - The envelope provides effective protection against low calibre and splitter weapons.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a schematic representation of a balloon enclosed by an energy-absorbing protective envelope.

Balloon body (20)

Pressurised hoses (22)

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Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/14

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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014587441 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 2002-408145/200244

Airship with dynamic structure comprises openwork structure and protection casing permeable to wind, rain and ice and directional propellers allowing propulsion in any direction

Patent Assignee: DUBOIS J (DUBO-I)

Inventor: DUBOIS J

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week FR 2816582 A1 20020517 FR 200014585 A 20001114 200244 B Priority Applications (No Type Date): FR 200014585 A 20001114

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

FR 2816582 A1 14 B64B-001/14

Abstract (Basic): FR 2816582 A1

NOVELTY - The airship comprises an overall structure (1) able to transport passengers (2) and freight (3) located in the nacelles (4). The structure comprises an openwork frame (5) permeable to winds, rain, snow and sand. The protection casing (6) is permeable to wind and rain. The directional lift (7) is permeable to wind and rain and enables, even in bad weather, its lift, navigation and its parking. There are directional propellers (8) allowing propulsion in any direction. Navigation means (23) allow different local climatic conditions to be identified.

USE - Airship with dynamic structure.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - Drawing shows view of the airship structure.

structure (1)

passengers (2)

freight (3)

nacelle (4)

protection casing (6)

directional lift (7)

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 propellers ((8) navigation means (23) pp; 14 DwgNo 1/5 Derwent Class: Q25 International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/14 International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/58 25/7,K/8 (Item 8 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2004 THOMSON DERWENT. All rts. reserv. 014228720 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2002-049418/200206 Airship balloon rigidified by helium tanks comprises outer flexible casing supported by rigid structure comprising hollow toroids which serve as helium tanks Patent Assignee: INST FRANCAIS DU PETROLE (INSF ); SENEPART M (SENE-I) Inventor: SENEPART M Number of Countries: 097 Number of Patents: 005 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week WO 200185540 A1 20011115 WO 2001FR1421 Α 20010511 200206 B FR 2808769 A1 20011116 FR 20006179 20000512 200206 Α AU 200160396 20011120 AU 200160396 Α 20010511 Α 200219 EP 1280698 A1 20030205 EP 2001934085 Α 20010511 200310 WO 2001FR1421 Α 20010511 US 20030141410 A1 20030731 WO 2001FR1421 Α 20010511 200354 US 2002276021 Α 20021112 Priority Applications (No Type Date): FR 20006179 A 20000512 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes WO 200185540 A1 F 14 B64B-001/08 Designated States (National): AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TR TZ UG ZW FR 2808769 A1 B64B-001/58 AU 200160396 A B64B-001/08 Based on patent WO 200185540 EP 1280698 B64B-001/08 Al F Based on patent WO 200185540 Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI TR US 20030141410 A1 B64B-001/02 Abstract (Basic): WO 200185540 A1 NOVELTY - The balloon (1) consists of an outer flexible casing (3) supported by a rigid structure. This structure comprises several hollow toroids (4) whose internal volume serves as a tank for pressurized helium. USE - Airship balloon rigidified by helium tanks. ADVANTAGE - A gain of weight and reduced size of basket are obtained. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - Drawing shows view of the airship balloon. balloon (1) flexible casing (3)

hollow toroids (4)

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Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/02; B64B-001/08; B64B-001/58

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/06; B64B-001/62

## 25/7,K/9 (Item 9 from file: 350)

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014072782 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-556995/200162

# Payload suspension system for airship has loop tabs attached to airship envelope for fixing frame used in attaching predetermined payload

Patent Assignee: AIRSHIP MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC (AIRS-N)

Inventor: BEWLEY J; HANKINSON J; HANKINSON R; SPYROU G

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 6290176 B1 20010918 US 98103656 A 19981009 200162 B

US 99414635 A 19991008

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 98103656 P 19981009; US 99414635 A 19991008

Patent Details:

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US 6290176 B1 12 B64B-001/02 Provisional application US 98103656

Abstract (Basic): US 6290176 B1

NOVELTY - A cable system has two upper load curtains (12) and a lower load curtain (14) which are fixed to the internal surface (16) of an airship envelope (15) and connected by at least two cables (10). Loop tabs are attached to the airship **envelope**. A **frame** for attaching a payload is fixed to the loop tab.

 ${\tt DETAILED}$  <code>DESCRIPTION</code> - <code>INDEPENDENT</code> <code>CLAIMS</code> are also included for the following:

- (a) a payload suspending method;
- (b) and a payload suspension.

USE - Applicable for suspending payload-carrying gondola from airship.

ADVANTAGE - Eliminates possibility of gas leakages of airship since cables between two sets of load curtains do not breach airship envelope. Ensures gas leakage protection and structural support of airship due to provision of internal and external patches reinforcing slits. Simplifies rigging of car to envelope since cable tension device becomes unnecessary during assembly process.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the cross-sectional side view of airship with payload suspension system.

Cables (10)

Upper load curtains (12)

Lower load curtain (14)

Airship envelope (15)

Envelope internal surface (16)

pp; 12 DwgNo 1a/4

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/02

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/06

#### 25/7,K/12 (Item 12 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 (c) 2004 THOMSON DERWENT. All rts. reserv. 013402010 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2000-573948/200054 Multiple cell aerostat balloon has cells arranged rotationally symmetrically around central envelope with rigid frames at top and bottom Patent Assignee: INTERACTIVE STAR (INTE-N); REGIPA & PARTNERS DEV (REGI-N); REGIPA & PARTNERS DEV SARL (REGI-N) Inventor: REGIPA O; REGIPA R Number of Countries: 022 Number of Patents: 003 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week FR 2790441 A1 20000908 FR 992572 A 19990302 200054 B WO 200228707 A1 20020411 WO 2000FR2472 Α 20001003 200231 N 20020415 AU 200074254 AU 200074254 A 20001003 200254 N Α WO 2000FR2472 Α 20001003 Priority Applications (No Type Date): FR 992572 A 19990302; WO 2000FR2472 A 20001003; AU 200074254 A 20001003 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes FR 2790441 41 B64B-001/58 A1 WO 200228707 A1 F B64B-001/58 Designated States (National): AU CA JP US Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE B64B-001/58 AU 200074254 A Based on patent WO 200228707 Abstract (Basic): FR 2790441 A1 NOVELTY - The multiple cell balloon aerostat has the cells (102) arranged rotationally symmetrically around a vertical axis defined by an envelope with upper and lower poles to which the envelope is attached. The upper and lower poles are connected by cables (103) inside the balloon. A lower connecting structure (114) has a rigid beam (116) to form a frame and the upper connecting structure is similar. USE - For an air balloon ADVANTAGE - Allows high aerodynamic stability in turbulence DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - Drawing shows side view of balloon Cells (102) Connector structures (114,116) pp; 41 DwgNo 1/11 Derwent Class: Q25 International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/58 International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/00 25/7,K/18 (Item 18 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2004 THOMSON DERWENT. All rts. reserv. 010441632 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 1995-342951/199544 Jet-propelled dirigible - has cylindrical envelope enclosed in rigid diamondshaped frame, one jet-propelled landing, and four horizontal thrust engines Patent Assignee: KEROV V G (KERO-I) Inventor: KEROV V G Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week

C1 19950327 SU 5018872

A 19911226 199544 B

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan

RU 2031811

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004

Priority Applications (No Type Date): SU 5018872 A 19911226

Patent Details:

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RU 2031811 C1 3 B64B-001/08

Abstract (Basic): RU 2031811 C

This **dirigible** has a landing engine (4) and four horizontal thrust jet engines (5). These are mounted on the corners of the envelope's (1) diamond-shaped **frame** (2). The **envelope** has a plate (3) fixed on it. The landing engine (4) is fixed on the plate. The four horizontal thrust engines' nozzles are directed in different directions from the centre.

The aircraft fuselage (6) is rigidly connected to the plate (3) and to the gondola (7).

ADVANTAGE - Improved performance, including improved manoeuvrability. Bul. 9/27.3.95

Dwg.1/3

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/08

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/36

## 25/7,K/21 (Item 21 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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010072440 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1994-340153/199442

Dirigible for illuminating surface at night - has shell with transparent bottom and light sources situated in inside of envelope in frames attached to envelope

Patent Assignee: TARANTSEV A A (TARA-I)

Inventor: TARANTSEV A A

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week SU 1821407 A1 19930615 SU 4902685 A 19910116 199442 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): SU 4902685 A 19910116

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

SU 1821407 A1 2 B64B-001/00

Abstract (Basic): SU 1821407 A

This illuminating dirigible has an envelope (1) filled with a carrying gas. Also, a load suspension (2), a cable (4) and a light source (3). The envelope's lower part has transparent windows (7). Frames (5) holding the light source has turning drives. One frame with a light source (3) can be joined to the envelope's (1) upper section by cables (6). Alternately, this frame can be attached to a transparent window's carcass by post.

ADVANTAGE - Better load-carrying capability and improved lighting. Bul. 22/15.6.93

Dwg.1/3

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/00

### 25/7,K/23 (Item 23 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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009974981 **Image available**

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WPI Acc No: 1994-242694/199430

Balloon or airship structure - includes inner and outer envelopes integrally joined to expand together as one double envelope structure

Patent Assignee: STOKLOSINSKI M (STOK-I); STOKLOSINSKI R (STOK-I)

Inventor: STOKLOSINKI M; STOKLOSINKI R; STOKLOSINSKI M; STOKLOSINSKI R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week GB 2275036 A 19940817 GB 933066 A 19930216 199430 B

GB 2275036 B 19970625 GB 933066 A 19930216 199728

Priority Applications (No Type Date): GB 933066 A 19930216

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

GB 2275036 A 7 B64B-001/58 GB 2275036 B B64B-001/58

Abstract (Basic): GB 2275036 A

The balloon/airship embodies a double envelope consisting of the inner envelope (2) enclosed by the outer envelope (1). Both the envelopes form an integrally functioning double envelope, containing an enclosed gas/air space or passages (6) into which gas/air is pumped under a small pressure.

This in turn acts on the outer **envelope** (1) which expands and displaces the surrounding air and simultaneously is prevented from entering the created vacuum in the space (7) inside the inner **envelope** (2). This expands together as one body with the outer **envelope** (1).

Dwg.2/6

Abstract (Equivalent): GB 2275036 B

A balloon/airship embodying two envelopes which are so constructed that one envelope, the inner one, is enclosed by another envelope, the outer one, both the envelopes forming an integrally functioning double envelope of the balloon/airship and having an enclosed gas/air space within and between them into which gas/air is admitted in order to inflate the balloon/airship and by doing so to create a vacuum inside the double envelope.

Dwg.2

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/58

## 25/7, K/31 (Item 31 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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007658284 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1988-292216/198841

Lighter-than-air craft - has inner compartments filled with helium or hydrogen, with overall lift force regulated by hot air supply to inner envelope

Patent Assignee: MCCAMPBELL B L (MCCA-I)

Inventor: MCCAMPBELL B L

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 4773617 A 19880927 US 8722069 A 19870305 198841 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 8722069 A 19870305

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 4773617 A 4

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004

Abstract (Basic): US 4773617 A

The lighter - than - air craft comprises an outer gas-tight envelope having a first longitudinal axis and a smaller inner envelope having a second longitudinal axis below the first longitudinal axis and positioned within the outer envelope to form a gas-tight pocket between. A rigid structure supports the inner and outer envelopes. Gas tight bulkheads extend parallel to the first longitudinal axis and are positioned in the gas tight pocket to divide the pocket into separate longitudinal compartments.

Some of the separate longitudinal compartments are filled with helium and the remainder with hydrogen. The inner envelope is filled with air. The air in the inner envelope is heated to vary the lift of the air craft. A shroud forms a separate compartment between the inner envelope and some of the longitudinal compartments.

USE - Airship utilising multiple envelopes to allow different lifting gases to be used.

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Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/60

25/7,K/38 (Item 38 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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001961377

WPI Acc No: 1978-K0651A/197846

Monocoque type rigid dirigible - has series of rings of gas-tight cells in place of framework and held by envelope pressure or bonding

Patent Assignee: GROGER E (GROG-I)

Inventor: GROGER E

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
DE 2719893 A 19781109 197846 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 2719893 A 19770504

Abstract (Basic): DE 2719893 A

The monocoque type rigid dirigible has the conventional framework replaced by a series of rings with their outer surfaces so configured that they produce the dirigible's outline when assembled. Each ring is made up of a set of segmental hollow cells, of formed plastic and with gastight walls. The whole assembly is enclosed in an envelope which applies some compressive stress.

Alternatively, the cells may be permanently or detachably bonded together. The cells have filling and venting connections in the inside surfaces. The space inside the rings is freely available for stowage of fuel, cargo, etc.

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/08

25/7,K/40 (Item 40 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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001720437

WPI Acc No: 1977-F6928Y/197727

Aerostat of adjustable buoyancy - has impermeable flexible envelope stretched over folding frame to define variable volume vacuum providing buoyancy Patent Assignee: COOKE W D (COOK-I)

Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 4032086 A 19770628 197727 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 75624045 A 19751020 Abstract (Basic): US 4032086 A

Aerostats (1) or aquastat comprises a sealed envelope of flexible material impervious to the passage of gas which is mounted on a flexible frame (4) forming a permanent part of the device. The frame can be caused to expand the envelope after it has been wholly or very substantially excavated of internal gas, thus setting up a (partial) vacuum in the envelope. In the case of a partial vacuum, the gas at reduced pressure may be hydrogen or helium.

The lift or buoyancy of the device may be controlled when in use by altering the volume of the **envelope** by adjusting the shape of the **frame** by acting mechanism carried by the device.

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/58

## 25/7,K/42 (Item 42 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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001520540

WPI Acc No: 1976-J3475X/197638

Framework mounted aerostat - has flexible sealed envelope whose internal pressure is reduced by being expanded mechanically

Patent Assignee: COOKE W D (COOK-I)

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week GB 1449468 A 19760915 197638 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): GB 7329686 A 19730622; GB 7316540 A 19730406

Abstract (Basic): GB 1449468 A

The aerostat or aquastat includes a sealed envelope (1) of gas-impervious flexible material mounted on a frame (4) which is capable of distending the envelope from a condition in which it encloses a comparatively small volume to a condition in which it encloses a comparatively large volume. The envelope contains substantially no gas or such a quantity of gas that, when the envelope encloses the large volume, the gas is at a pressure reduced by distention of the envelope by the frame and sufficiently low to render the aerostat or aquastat buoyant relative to the ambient air or water pressure.

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/58

#### 26/26,TI/4 (Item 4 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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015230746

WPI Acc No: 2003-291670/200329

Decorative standard lamp, uses inflatable inner balloon as frame

26/26,TI/8 (Item 8 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780

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011219067

WPI Acc No: 1997-196992/199718

Drug storage structure in oceanic information collection appts - has container comprising balloon and buoy body which suspends oceanic sensor

26/26, TI/13 (Item 13 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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009494794

WPI Acc No: 1993-188330/199323

Illuminated toy balloon providing low heat generation - includes light stick over which is positioned translucent envelope, with tubing extending to balloon neck

26/26,TI/15 (Item 15 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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009472346

WPI Acc No: 1993-165886/199320

Over land motor vehicle with aerostatic balloon load relief - has mechanism for twisting flexible balloon envelope into low buoyancy braid

26/26,TI/18 (Item 18 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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004228342

WPI Acc No: 1985-055221/198509

Pneumatic vehicle suspension spring - has sleeve round balloon and auxiliary balloon attached to sleeve bottom with cap and rod with stop

26/26,TI/20 (Item 20 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

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003721688

WPI Acc No: 1983-717880/198330

Hot air airship with inflatable envelope - is driven by IC engines whose exhaust heats air to obtain lift, when blown into envelope

26/26,TI/22 (Item 22 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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001704431

WPI Acc No: 1977-E0918Y/197720

Double envelope construction airship - has separate hot air and light gas volumes with heater delivering air to distributor

26/26,TI/25 (Item 1 from file: 347)

DIALOG(R) File 347: JAPIO

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07657481

ILLUMINATION BALLOON

26/26,TI/26 (Item 2 from file: 347)

DIALOG(R) File 347: JAPIO

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SOFT HIGH ALTITUDE AIRSHIP AND OPERATING AND CONTROLLING METHOD THEREFOR

26/26,TI/27 (Item 3 from file: 347)

DIALOG(R) File 347: JAPIO

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06695158

SUPER-PRESSURE TYPE HIGH ALTITUDE AIRSHIP

26/26,TI/29 (Item 5 from file: 347)

DIALOG(R) File 347: JAPIO

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01425697

THERMAL AIRSHIP OR THERMAL BALLOON OF ENVELOPE OF TWO-LAYER CLOTH STRUCTURE OF DIFFERENT PHYSICAL PROPERTY

26/7, K/11 (Item 11 from file: 350)

DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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010285428 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1995-186687/199525

# Toy balloon has internal stabilising holder - for insertion of inflating and/or holding rod

Patent Assignee: HERTEL R (HERT-I)

Inventor: HERTEL R

Number of Countries: 019 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week A1 19950518 DE 4338809 DE 4338809 A 19931112 199525 WO 9513121 A1 19950518 WO 94EP3681 Α 19941109 199525 19950529 AU 9481063 AU 9481063 Α Α 19941109 199537

Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 4338809 A 19931112 Cited Patents: EP 356013; US 4721491; US 5336123; WO 9317768

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Designated States (National): AU JP US

Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH DE DK ES FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE

AU 9481063 A A63H-027/10 Based on patent WO 9513121 Abstract (Basic): DE 4338809 A

A (Mylar film) balloon has an internal fixed stabilising holder, which is formed of two or more overlying pref. welded foils, and which has a channel pref. formed by weld seams and with an abutment at its end, an inflating and/or holding rod being inserted in the channel by a limited amount such that, on direct or indirect contact of the rod with the interior wall of the balloon, toppling of the balloon is restricted or completely prevented.

ADVANTAGE - The design eliminates problems of expensive and laborious mounting on a rod, loss of decorative appearance and unnecessary film material costs, packaging costs and postage costs. Dwg.4/8

Derwent Class: A86; P36; Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/40

International Patent Class (Additional): A63H-027/10; B64B-001/58

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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008873115 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 1992-000386/199201

Airship supporting frame structure - has girders forming equilateral-triangular cross-members and diagonal bracing struts

Patent Assignee: LUFTSCHIFFBAU ZEPPELIN GMBH (LUFT-N); LUFTSCHIFF ZEPPELIN (ZEPP-N); LUFTSCHIFFBAU ZEPPE (ZEPP-N)

Inventor: HAGENLOCHE K; WINDISCHBA F; HAGENLOCHER K; WINDISCHBAUER F  $\cdot$ 

Number of Countries: 009 Number of Patents: 009

Patent Family:

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GB 2245241	Α	19920102	GB 9111237	A	19910524	199201	
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US 5110070	A	19920505	US 91712269	Α	19910607	199221	
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ZA 9107233	A	19920624	ZA 917233	Α	19910911	199232	N
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): DE 4018749 A 19900612; ZA 917233 A 19910911

Patent Details:

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US 5110070	A	18		
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ZA 9107233	A	31	B64B-000/00	
RU 2005646	C1	9	B64B-001/06	
GB 2245241	В		B64B-001/08	
IT 1249909	В		B64B-000/00	
Abstract (I	Basic): DH	E 4(	018749 A	

The airship has lengthwise and transverse members forming a supporting frame for the gas cells and other modules etc. Each transverse member comprises three girders forming an equilateral triangle, whose corners form nodal points at which the lengthwise members are attached.

The base (S13) of the triangle (S11-13) is at the bottom and horizontal. The square areas enclosed by the cross-member girders and lengthwise members each have two diagonal bracing struts (D). The gas cells (1) are fixed to the lengthwise members inside them, and when full protrude beyond them and the girders and form parts of the airship outer casing. At the bottom they bear loose against the bottom struts, and form the partition (2) for an air chamber (K) in the bottom part of the airship. A separate casing (3) between the bottom lengthwise members (L1,L3) encloses the air chamber on the underside, filling out the airship cross-section.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Simplicity, strength, light weight and high load
capacity. (16pp Dwg.No.3/9)

Abstract (Equivalent): DE 4018749 C

The airship framework has a series of transverse frames (prefixed S) separated by longerons (Lq,L2,Le), supporting a lift-producing gasenvelope (1), and other necessary structures. Each frame consists of three struts (e.g. S11, S12, S13) arranged in an equilateral triangle

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with a horizontal base, below which a gasbag (K) is provided. The node-points act as connections with the longerons (L1, L2, L3) and the envelope (1).

Corresponding neighbouring struts (e.g. S12,S22) and connecting longerons (e.g. L2,L3) are arranged as quadrilaterals, and have double diagonal bracing.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Airship construction. The simple framework provides sufficient envelop rigidity at speed, combined with some flexibility to absorb heavy landings

Abstract (Equivalent): GB 2245241 B

An airship comprising a supporting structure having a plurality of transverse frames, and a plurality of longitudinals disposed between the frames, and further comprising at least one gas bag for producing lift, wherein the transverse frames comprise in each case three elongate members disposed in the form of an isosceles triangle with the member forming the base of the triangle being disposed substantially horizontally in a lower part of the said structure, and the vertices of the triangle forming nodal points for connecting the longitudinals to the elongate members.

Dwg.1

Abstract (Equivalent): US 5110070 A

The rigid airship has a carrier frame with triangular cross-ribs interconnected by longitudinal beams, one connected to each corner of the triangle. Thus, prism-type frame sections are formed which are stiffened by diagonal tensioning members (D). The prism of each frame section (A) has two lateral sides and a base side.

Each of the three sides is stiffened with two diagonal tensioning members. Junctions between neighbouring frame sections are formed at the triangle corners. Carrier gas cells, the skin of which forms at least part of the airship skin, are secured in the frame sections. The base of each triangle cross-rib forms the base of the frame. One or more air chambers are formed in the belly of the airship below the base of the frame.

ADVANTAGE - To construct a rigid airship that has an optimally light carrier frame and a high payload as well as strength.

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Main): B64B-001/06; B64B-001/08
International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/22; B64B-001/24

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001945220

WPI Acc No: 1978-H4488A/197838

Lighter - than - air machine - has thin skin over inner frame of spherical shape and vacuum pump connected to sealable opening

Patent Assignee: WHEELER D C (WHEE-I)

Inventor: WHEELER D C

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 4113206 A 19780912 197838 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 77797290 A 19770516 Abstract (Basic): US 4113206 A

Lighter - than - air machine and has thin skin over inner frame of spherical shape and vacuum pump connected to sealable opening.

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Lighter - than - air machine includes a thin, pliable air-tight outer envelope in overlying relationship over a light-weight, coarse-opening inner frame of a spherelike shape. The envelope includes a sealable opening, so that the envelope can be at least partially evacuated to render the machine lighter than air. A vacuum pump is provided and is connected with the opening for controlling the quantity of air contained in the envelope to determine the amount of lifting energy.

In one form an outer frame is within the **envelope** and surrounding the inner **frame**, and the outer **frame** is composed of a stiff, rigid open-mesh material with the openings in the inner frame being smaller in size than the opening in the outer frame

Derwent Class: Q25

International Patent Class (Additional): B64B-001/40

26/7,K/28 (Item 4 from file: 347)

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03411398 **Image available**

AIRSHIP USING HYDROGEN

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INVENTOR(s): NAKADA KAZUO

APPLICANT(s): NAKADA KAZUO [000000] (An Individual), JP (Japan)

APPL. NO.: 01-207870 [JP 89207870] FILED: August 14, 1989 (19890814)

ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To obtain a safety and inexpensive transportation means by providing such a constitution as injecting an inert gas or engine waste gas from an inlet port into a space between the outer sheath of an airship and a buoyancy bag for receiving hydrogen to scavenge the space part, and exhausting the gas from an exhaust port.

CONSTITUTION: As cooling of engine waste gas nearly to the outside air temperature is required to prevent the dewing in the inside of an outer sheath, the waste gas passed through a third heat exchanger 13 and cooled nearly to the outside air temperature by a heat exchanger 14 is passed through a heat absorbing tube 15 and heated. The warmed waste gas is charged into a space between the outer sheath 20 of an airship and a buoyancy bag 5 through a waste gas inlet port 16 disposed on the outer 20. Then, as the sheath framework 21 of the airship is situated between the outer sheath 20 and the buoyancy bag 5, the waste gas successively pushing this space part is passed through a check valve 18 disposed on the upper part and exhausted from an exhaust pipe 19. By scavenging this space part from the lower part to the upper part, even if hydrogen gas is leaked from the buoyancy bag 5, it is regularly diluted with an inert gas and exhausted, and gas explosion can be prevented.

ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS 1978-2004/Mar W01 File 349:PCT FULLTEXT 1979-2002/UB=20040304,UT=20040226 Set Items Description s119375 BALLOON? ? S2 1272 BLIMP OR BLIMPS OR DIRIGIBLE? ? OR AEROSTAT OR AEROSTATS OR AIRSHIP? ? OR ZEPPELIN? ? OR GASBAG? ? OR BALLONET? ? LIGHTER()THAN()AIR OR INFLATABLE S3 14335 ROD OR RODS OR FRAME OR FRAMES OR FRAMING OR FRAMEWORK? ? -S4 417628 OR SKELETON OR SKELETAL S5769597 STRUCTUR?? SLEEVE? ? OR ENVELOPE? ? OR POCKET? ? OR CHANNEL? ? OR JAC-S6 495348 KET? ? OR SHEATH?? OR CASING? ? OR ENCASEMENT? ? **S7** 347341 STRIP OR STRIPS OR STRAP OR STRAPS OR BAND OR BANDS S8 26 IC=A63H-003/06 S9 30079 S1:S3 2825 S10 S4:S5(5N)S6(S)S7 S11 175 S9 AND S10 S12 0 S8 AND S10 S13 52 S9(S)S10 S14 1 S13/TI,AB [not relevant] S15 15 S13/CM S16 15 S15 NOT S14 S17 259549 HELIUM OR HYDROGEN OR LIGHTER() THAN() AIR S18 0 S16(S)S17 S19 6 S13 AND S17 **S20** 6 S19 NOT S14 [not relevant] 1769 S21 S1:S2(S)S17 2893 S22 S1(S)S17 OR S2 S23 2 S10(S)S22 **S24** S23 NOT (S14 OR S19) [not relevant] 1 S25 276 S22/TI,AB S26 10171 S4:S5(S)S6(S)S7 S27 1 S25 AND S26 S28 S27 NOT (S14 OR S19 OR S23) 1 S29 S22(S)S26 NOT (S14 OR S19 OR S23 OR S27) 6 S30 0 S8 AND S26 S31 531408 S4:S6(S)S6:S7 S32 113 ((S8 OR S25) AND S31) NOT (S14 OR S19 OR S23 OR S27 OR S29) S33 6 S8 AND S32 S34 S25(S)S31 NOT (S14 OR S19 OR S23 OR S27 OR S29 OR S33) 27 28/3,AB,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 349) DIALOG(R) File 349:PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2004 WIPO/Univentio. All rts. reserv. 00208799 AIRSHIP AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING ITS FLIGHT BALLON DIRIGEABLE ET PROCEDE DE CONTROLE DE VOL Patent Applicant/Assignee: COLTING Hakan, Inventor(s): COLTING Hakan,

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A non-rigid airship is provided which includes a gas envelope having propulsion units mounted on either side thereof. Thrust emanating from the propulsion units is deflectable to control at least the vertical positioning of the airship. Horizontal positioning of the airship may be controlled by varying the relative thrust of the propulsion units. A method is also provided for controlling the flight path of an airship. The method includes providing propulsion units on opposite sides of the airship and deflecting the thrust of the propulsion units to control vertical placement of the airship. Horizontal placement of the airship may be carried out by varying the relative thrust of the propulsion units. Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

... the gas envelope of the airship.

Attachment of the propulsion units 44 to the gas envelope may be accomplished with a combination of fabric, such as the type from which the gas envelope, is made and straps, wrapped around the frame 82 and secured to the gas envelope, The propulsion unit may be further supported and stabilized by wire cables such as cables...

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LIGHTWEIGHT DISPLAY SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MAKING AND EMPLOYING SAME LEICHTGEWICHTANZEIGEGERAT UND VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG UND GEBRAUCH DESSELBEN.

SYSTEMES D'AFFICHAGE DE FAIBLE POIDS ET PROCEDES DE FABRICATION ET D'UTILISATION

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...SPECIFICATION With reference to Fig. 4E, whenever display screen 12 is attached to an outer gas envelope surface 92 of a non-rigid type airship such as a blimp, a rigid framework is unnecessary. Display screen 12 can be adequately tensioned directly onto surface 92 of the airship. A series of 25.5 mm wide straps 94 made from nylon filament are attached at 1.3 m intervals across top 96...

...to it. Left and right edges 102 of substrate 16 are held in place on airship surface 92 by 50 mm loop hook and fastening tapes 95 such as velcro, extending...

33/6/1 (Item 1 from file: 349) 01005501 **Image available**

INTERNALLY LIGHTED INFLATABLE FIGURES

33/6/2 (Item 2 from file: 349) 00988461 **Image available**

TOY AIRPLANE ASSEMBLY HAVING A MICROPROCESOR FOR ASSISTING FLIGHT

33/6/3 (Item 3 from file: 349) 00841211 **Image available**

BALLOON INFLATION APPARATUS AND PLUG THEREFOR

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BALLOON STEM CONNECTOR

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NOISE MAKING BALLOON VALVE

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TOY, DOLL OR MANNEQUIN WITH DIMENSIONALLY VARIABLE EXTERIOR SURFACE JOUET, POUPEE OU MANNEQUIN DOTE D'UNE SURFACE EXTERNE A DIMENSIONS VARIABLES

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A doll is disclosed having an inner body or core (88d) with an outer surface (138) of a given contour, an outer skin (136) covering the exterior surface, and an expansible volume (134) or space between the

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outer core surface and the outer skin, with the skin being expansible through a range of positions, including a first skin position closely overlying the outer surface of the core, a second skin position substantially spaced from the body exterior, and a plurality of positions intermediate these first and second positions, so as to simulate a change in body contours. The invention may also be practised by providing a separable bladder or suit (180) arrangement capable of use with existing figures to achieve to above and other objects.

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... simulate change of contour due to I'musclebuilding",, and showing an expansible bladder, a confinement **sleeve** or girdle partially covering the bladder, and a life-like elastic exterior skin covering the bladder and **sleeve** or girdle, and showing how inflation simulates muscle growth;

Fig. 29 is a vertical sectional...openings and not only serve as manifold to permit passage of air into the various **pockets** or chambers 84, but also permit the marginal sections 86 to be inflated.

Fige 9...Fig, 11 shows the outer skin 90 as being in the form of a vest, jacket or like garment 96 with a single center seam for purposes of illustration. A commercial product may be made by utilizing a completely knitted or woven sleeve having no seam, if desired, As a preferred alternative, to enhance the appearance of the...at the neck at the margins 182f, 184f, 186f forming the openings respectively for the sleeves, the trouser or leg cuffs, and the neck cuffs area. Insofar as an opening or...In keeping with the invention, a bladder generally designated 314 and shown to be of sleeve -like construction is fitted over the upper arm 308. The bladder has inner and outer...

...26 shows that the bladder 314 having the seamed areas 316 to define individual air **pockets** is then covered with a girdle arrangement generally designated 318 and shown to include pre-selected areas 320, 322, 324 of minimal or no confinement, In addition, a **strap** 326, a thin section, is shown helping to define the adjacent open areas, 320, 322 not open are substantially non-expansible, Consequently, when the **sleeve** or cuff serving as the bladder 314 is inflated, those unconfined areas 320, 322, 324 permit sections of the inflatable bladder, **sleeve** or cuff to expand to simulate muscles such as shoulder biceps or triceps muscles. An...

...and confining cuff or girdle 318 with the skinlike, flesh-colored, expansible fabric or rubber sleeve material 330, Consequently, the expansion contraction mechanism is less visible and a realistic effect is...purpose, Fig. 52 illustrates how clothing, such as a snap-on bow tie 984, a jacket 986 and a watch and chain 988 may be used to dramatize weight gain. Fig...

...enlarged midsection 982 having dislodged the watch 988, and having popped open the vest or **jacket** 986 and the bow tie 984, Such apparent "weight gain" would signal to a user...

34/6/5 (Item 5 from file: 348) 00881325 Aircraft

**34/6/8** (Item 3 from file: 349) 00980552 **Image available**

FLEXIBLE WALL MATERIAL FOR USE IN AN INFLATABLE STRUCTURE

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ASRC Searcher: Jeanne Horrigan Serial 10/643780 March 12, 2004 **Image available** 00910703 AERIAL IMAGE ILLUMINATION SYSTEM 34/6/10 (Item 5 from file: 349) 00839318 **Image available** GUIDABLE AIRSHIP WITH A NOZZLE-SHAPED HOLLOW BODY 34/6/14 (Item 9 from file: 349) 00734362 **Image available** LAUNCHING OF HIGH ALTITUDE AIRSHIPS 34/6/15 (Item 10 from file: 349) 00734361 **Image available** SOLAR CELL ARRAY ORIENTATION IN AN AIRSHIP 34/6/18 (Item 13 from file: 349) 00437724 **Image available** COMBINED AIRCRAFT 34/6/19 (Item 14 from file: 349) 00398158 **Image available** DEVICE FOR TRANSFORMING AN AEROSTAT 'S ENVELOPE INTO A PARACHUTE 34/6/21 (Item 16 from file: 349) 00333428 **Image available** AIR BALLOON CONTAINING INERT GAS 34/6/23 (Item 18 from file: 349) 00184575 **Image available** VERSATILE AIRCRAFT WITH WINGS COMPRISING INTEGRAL POWER UNITS AND HELIUM SUPPLY FITTED WITH SELF-CONTAINED AND INTERCHANGEABLE NACELLES 34/6/27 (Item 22 from file: 349) 00130960 STEERABLE AEROSTATIC BALLON 34/3, AB/2(Item 2 from file: 348) DIALOG(R) File 348: EUROPEAN PATENTS (c) 2004 European Patent Office. All rts. reserv. Envelope manufacturing method by the braider Verfahren zur Herstellung von einer Hulle an einer Flechtmaschine Procede pour la fabrication d'une enveloppe dans une machine a tresser PATENT ASSIGNEE: MURATA KIKAI KABUSHIKI KAISHA, (308934), 3, Minami-Ochiai-cho, Kisshoin, Minami-ku, Kyoto-shi, Kyoto, (JP), (Applicant designated States: all) INVENTOR: Uchida, Hiroshi, 141-3, Horiage-cho, Omihachiman-shi, Shiga, (JP) Uozumi, Tadashi, 16-15, Misasagi-Okanonishi-cho, Yamashina-ku, Kyoto, (JP)

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It is an object of the present invention to provide the <code>envelope</code> manufacturing method by the braider such that the <code>envelope</code> like the <code>airship</code> is formed as one object composed by the braider. The <code>envelope</code> manufacturing method by the braider, wherein a pair of the braiding material (1,2) whose braiding angle is (+-) (theta)(degree) to the axis and the axial material (3) whose angle is <code>0(degree)</code> to the axis are organized as the braiding layer by the braider BR and the <code>envelope</code> En like the <code>airship</code> is composed as one body by said braiding layer and the thickness of the braiding layer in the axial both end parts of said <code>airship</code> envelope is arranged to be formed thinner than the thickness in the axial central part.

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AIRSHIP AND METHOD OF OPERATION

AERONEF ET METHODE DE FONCTIONNEMENT DE CET AERONEF

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English Abstract

An airship (20) has a generally spherical shape and has an internal envelope (24) for containing a lifting gas such as Helium or Hydrogen. The airship has a propulsion and control system (36, 38) that permits it to be flown to a desired loitering location, and to be maintained in that location for a period of time. In one embodiment the airship may achieve neutral buoyancy when the internal envelope is as little as 7 % full of lifting gas, and may have a service ceiling of about 60,000 ft. The airship has an equipment module (180) that can include either communications equipment, or monitoring equipment, or both. The airship can be remotely controlled from a ground station. The airship has a solar cell array and electric motors (44, 46) of the propulsion and control system are driven by power obtained from the array. The airship also has an auxiliary power unit (52) that can be used to drive the electric motors. The airship can have a pusher propeller that assists in driving the airship and also moves the point of flow separation of the spherical airship further aft. In one embodiment the airship can be refuelled at altitude to permit extended loitering.

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English Abstract

The present invention relates to a vehicle in the form of a volumetric body that comprises freight and passenger compartments, a plurality of electromotive plants and devices for accelerating the crew to a desired speed. This vehicle is intended for use on high-speed highways, while the aeronautic variant is in the shape of an airplane or an airship for

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direct application. The main vehicle consists of an air-flow energy converter that comprises several **envelopes** separated by several **channels**. The energy converter may include several turbines and generators for supplying energy to the propulsion device of the vehicle. The operation ability of the energy converter is based on the use of rarefaction at its bottom section and of the energy of the circulating flow that enters the inlet **channels** thereof. This process also uses a strong increase in the flow rate onto the turbine which is due to the corresponding decrease in its enthalpy, i.e. the thermal component of its global energy. As for support members, propulsion devices, guides and other equipment, the invention involves using the technical solutions applied in high-speed railways, **airships**, airplanes, etc.

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English Abstract

The present invention relates to a vehicle in the form of a volumetric body that comprises freight and passenger compartments, a plurality of electromotive plants and devices for accelerating the crew to a desired speed. This vehicle is intended for use on high-speed highways, while the aeronautic variant is in the shape of an airplane or an airship for direct application. The main vehicle consists of an air-flow energy converter that comprises several envelopes separated by several channels. The energy converter may include several turbines and generators for supplying energy to the propulsion device of the vehicle. The operation ability of the energy converter is based on the use of rarefaction at its bottom section and of the energy of the circulating flow that enters the inlet channels thereof. This process also uses a strong increase in the flow rate onto the turbine which is due to the corresponding decrease in its enthalpy, i.e. the thermal component of its global energy. As for support members, propulsion devices, guides and

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other equipment, the invention involves using the technical solutions applied in high-speed railways, airships, airplanes, etc.

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OPENING REINFORCEMENT FOR AEROSTAT ENVELOPE RENFORT D'OUVERTURE POUR ENVELOPPE D'AEROSTAT

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English Abstract

The invention concerns a device for reinforcing the opening (5) of a flexible envelope designed to be stretched, in particular an aerostat envelope (1). The invention is characterised in that it comprises first (12) and second (13) adjacent ring-shaped members. The shroud (1) is designed to pass successively over the internal parts of said first (12) and second (13) ring-shaped members surfaces, over said second (13) ring-shaped member external surface part, then again over said first ring-shaped member (12) internal surface part, between itself and said portion.

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A LIGHTER-THAN-AIR LIFTING BODY

ENGIN TRANSPORTEUR PLUS LEGER QUE L'AIR

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The invention relates to a lighter - than - air lifting body consisting of an outer envelope, an air vent that disposed therein and a closure for closing the air vent. The air vent is closed upon air contained in the envelope drawn out, to make the inside of the envelope be vacuum. The invention has advantages of cost being lower that a helium -filled balloon, and manufacture being easier and uses being safer compared with a hydrogen -filled balloon.

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English Abstract

A balloon/ airship embodying a double envelope consisting of the inner envelope (2) enclosed by the outer envelope (1) both the envelopes forming an integrally functioning double envelope, containing an enclosed gas/air space or passages (6) into which gas/air is pumped under a small pressure wich in turn acts on the outer envelope (1) which expands and displaces the surrounding air and simultaneously is prevented from entering the created vacuum in the space (7) inside the inner envelope (2) which expands together as one body with the outer envelope (1).

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English Abstract

An **airship** comprises two substantially parallel, spaced apart and semirigid hulls (1, 2) adapted to contain a lifting gas, a gondola (3) is connected to the hulls (1, 2), and a drive means is provided to impart vertical lift to the **airship**. A drive means adapted to impart

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horizontal motion to the airship may also be provided. Each hull (1, 2) includes a framework comprising two semirigid circumferential bands which are interconnected by a plurality of longitudinal strips and a plurality of radially extending spokes. Support means (22, 23, 24) interconnect the circumferential bands of each hull (1, 2) to the gondola (3). Each hull (1, 2) consists of an outer covering enclosing a number of gas containing cells. The hulls (1, 2) are longer than their width and wider than their height and in cross-sections they have a shape approximate to that of an aerofoil. Ventrally as compared to dorsally the hulls (1, 2) are substantially flatter. Vertical fins (8), tail planes (6), forward stabilizers (7) are provided to assist in the overall manoeuvrability and stability of the airship.

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AEROSTAT WHICH TRAVELS AUTONOMOUSLY AND REVERSIBLY BETWEEN THE GROUND OF A PLANET WITH AN ATMOSPHERE AND A PREDETERMINED CEILING ALTITUDE

AEROSTAT DESTINE A EVOLUER DE FACON AUTONOME ET REVERSIBLE ENTRE LE SOL D'UNE PLANETE A ATMOSPHERE ET UNE ALTITUDE PLAFOND PREDETERMINEE

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English Abstract

A double-balloon aerostat travels autonomously and reversibly between the ground of a planet with an atmosphere and a predetermined ceiling altitude. Said aerostat comprises a first closed balloon (1) called a carrier, which contains a gas lighter that the gas present in the atmosphere, and a solar hot-air balloon (3) comprising a permanent opening (6) through which it can be filled by the gas present in the atmosphere. The hot air balloon (3) has an upper open end delimited by an annular rim, and gas-tight fastening means are adapted for securing the annular edge to the peripheral wall of the carrier balloon (1) in such a way that the latter extends partially into the interior of the envelope of the hot-air balloon (3).